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To the Monthly Meeting of Friends of Jericho on Long Island the 13th of the 12th month 1793

Dear Friends

Our beloved friend Elias Hicks on his late Religious Visit among us hath attended all the Meetings hereto belonging with a Certificate of your concurrence and unity in that important undertaking, and we have to say that his Gospel Labours in the Ministry and service in the Discipline, were acceptable and edifying among us, and that his deportment was correspondant thereto, with desires for his Safe preservation and reward of peace, we affectionately salute you, and remain your Friends

Signed in and on behalf of our said Meeting

by William Rotch junr Clerk

To the Monthly Meeting of friends of purchase the 13th of the 12th Month 1793

Dear Friends

Our esteemed Friend James Mott having accompanied our friend Elias Hicks through his Religious Visit in this Quarter

And we may say that his Company and services in the Discipline were acceptable and satisfactory, his Deportment being examplary and Correspondant to your Certificate, produced in his behalf, with desires for his preservation and peaceful reward in well doing, we remain your friends and Brethren

Signed in and on behalf of Our said Meeting

by William Rotch junr Clerk

To the Monthly Meeting of friends of Horsham in the County of Montgomery Pennsylvania

Dear Friends

Our beloved friend Peter Yarnall in the course of his late Religious Visit among us, hath attended nearly if not quite all the particular Meetings belonging to this Quarter; and his Gospel Labours in the Ministry have been truly acceptable and Edifying among us, his Solid and examplary deportment being correspondant thereto, with desires for his preservation in that line and the reward of peace we conclude with affectionate regard your Friends

Signed in and on behalf of Our said Meeting

by William Rotch junr Clerk

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends at Jericho
the 13th of the 12th Month 1793

Dear Friends

Thomas Willis having accompanied our Friend Peter Yarnall in his Religious Visit to most or all the Meetings hereto belonging, we have to inform you that his company hath been acceptable and his conduct and conversation examplary with desires for his furtherance and preservation in the truth we are Your affectionate friends and Brethren

Signed in and on behalf of our said Meeting
by William Rotch Junr. Clerk

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends of Saratoga

Dear Friends

Our beloved Friends Rufus Hall and Zebulon Hoxie attended our last Quarterly Meeting in the tenth Month and produced your Certificates, They attended Several of our Monthly and particular Meetings, wherein the Gospel Labours of the former and their joint Services in the Discipline, tended to edification, their deportment being examplary. with desires that the reward of Peace may attend their Labours among us

We conclude and remain your affectionate Friends and Brethren

Signed in and on behalf of our Said Meeting
by William Rotch Junr. Clerk

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends of Concord Pennsylvania, the 13th of the 12th Month 1793

Dear Friends

Our beloved Friend Sarah Talbot in the course of her Religious Visit, hath attended most or all the Meetings hereto belonging, and also attended our Quarterly Meeting in the Seventh Month last in which her Gospel Labours were to edification and her Conduct and Conversation examplary becoming our

our Profession and corresponding with the recommendation in your Certificate which was produced to us.

And our Friend Stephen Mendinhall having accompanied her also produced your Certificate and his Company and services were to our Satisfaction, his Conduct and conversation being Solid and acceptable, with desires for their Preservation in the truth, and that the reward of peace may attend their Labours, we affectionately Salute you, and are Your Friends Brethren and Sisters.

Signed in and on behalf of our said Meeting,
by William Rotch Junr Clerk
Charity Rotch Clerk for the Day

From Our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 13th of the 12th Month 1793

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends of Willmington

Dear Friends

Our Friend Ann Farris having accompanied our Friend Sarah Talbot on her Religious Visit in theese parts, attended our Quarterly Meeting in the Seventh Month last, Also Severall of our Monthly and particular Meetings, and produced to us your Certificate, her Company therein, hath been very acceptable to us, and her Conduct examplary, desiring her preservation and advancement in the truth, we affectionately Salute you, and are your Friends Brethren and Sisters

Signed in and on behalf of our said Meeting
by William Rotch Junr Clerk
Charity Rotch Clerk for the day

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YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS
FOR NEW ENGLAND

At a Yearly Meeting kept at the House of Edward Wanton in Scituate 22nd. 7thm^{o} 1674. Whereas a difference between Edward Wanton and William Parker being laid before this Meeting. the Meeting desires that Henry Curer & John Eaſton of Rhode Island (being shortly intending this way) may hear, and if poſſible, to determine ſ^{d}. Difference — It is agreed that here shall be a Quarterly Meeting of Men & Women held; And it is agreed by Solomon Eccles & Henry Curer, and friends of Scituate that the ordering the Meeting being at or not at William Parkers be left to Joseph Coleman, John Howland, James Cudworth, and John Rance.

At a Yearly Meeting held at Edward Wanton's at Scituate 20. 7 m^{o} 1680. Edward Perry laid before the Meeting the Neceſsity of chooſing some friends to iſſue some difference that is between ſome, Friends of Sandwich, W C, A C, J E, & J. Mott all of Rhode Island, and William Newland, and Edward Perry of Sandwich are choſen to iſſue the ſaid Difference.

The 1st. 8thm^{o} 1683, an half years Meeting was kept at the houſe of Edward Wanton at Scituate, at which Meeting is was concluded that at next monthly or Quarterly Meeting Friends take care and gather what Money they are free to contribute towards the payment for the remaining Box of Books in anſwer to Roger Williams.

The 29th. 7thm^{o} 1684. an half Year Meeting was held at Edward Wantons ——— No Buſineſs

The 28th 7thm^{o} 1785 an half Year Meeting was held at Edward Wantons ——— No Buſineſs

At a half Year Meeting held at the Houſe of Edward Wanton 27th. 7thm^{o} 1686. John Rance manifested his diſſatisfaction as to the judgment or award of Arthur Howland & William Chamberlain, upon a difference between ſaid John Rance and Zachariah Coleman and friends finding that the two Arbitrators aforeſaid was by a joynt and free conſent choſen by the ſaid Rance & Coleman to decide the difference between them, and that the ſaid Rance had no just cauſe to deny the ſaid Award, do therefore unanimously judge that the Award in truth ought to ſtand.

A half Year Meeting was held at Edward Wantons
5th 8th mo No Buſineſs

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At a Quarterly Meeting at the Houſe of Edward Wanton the last 6th day of the 3rd mo 1686. It was ordered that the monthly Meeting shall be kept at Arthur Howlands, as it hath formerly been at his Fathers, excepting two Days in a Year at Joseph Howlands. It is ordered at this Meeting alſo that the Meetings on first Days at Joseph Howlands, and at Mattoceſs shall continue as they do once a Month. The last 6th day of the 8th Mo: 1686, at the Quarterly Meeting at Edward Wanton's it was agreed that there should be a deed made concerning the Meeting Houſe.

At a Quarterly Meeting at Edward Wanton's the laſt 6th day of the 9th mo 1689. Friends have agreed to make a Contribution for Friends that are in want in Yarmouth, by the next yearly Meeting

At a Quarterly Meeting at Edward Wanton's the last 6th Day of the 12th mo 1689. the Meeting gathered 22 Shillings in Money, and Ten Buſhels of Indian Corn. and have agreed that John Rogers receive the Corn & take care to transport it to William Allen or his Order and alſo the Money to be delivered to him for the relief of ſuch friends at Yarmouth as are in Want.

At a quarterly Meeting at Edward Wantons the last 6th Day of the 3rd mo 1690. Friends have deſired Edward Wanton to ſpeak with Judith Barker, in reference to what is reported in reſpect to her ſwearing on a Book, and going to the priests Meeting that Frds: may be satiſfied therein.,

At a Quarterly Meeting at Edward Wanton's the last 6th day of 6th mo 1690. Nathaniel Chamberlin being about to remove to Hull moved his Intention to the Meeting for the Meetings approbation who considering of it saw nothing that might be justly any hindrance to him therein.

At a Quarterly Meeting at Edward Wanton's the last 6th Day of the 12th mo. 1690. the Meeting agreed that the monthly Meeting that hath been kept at Arthur Howland's be orderly kept at the houſe of Robert Barker it being judged by the Meeting to be the most convenient place for friends of Scituate, Duxborough & Marſhfield to gather together in. It is alſo agreed by the Meeting that a propoſition concerning buying a place for a Meeting houſe at Boston be from this Meeting further proposed to the half Year. Meeting at Sandwich.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the last 6th day of the 3rd mo 1691. —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wantons the last 6th day of the 6th mo. 1691. —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the last 6th day of the 9th mo 1691. —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the last 6th day of the 12th mo 1691. and the Meeting agreed to give something towards the relief of Wells, and other english Towns thereabout Expos'd to want by reaſon of the Indian War:

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wantons the last 6th day of the 3rd mo 1692. —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the last 6th day of the 6th mo 1692. friends have agreed to have a Meeting at Hull the 3rd 4th Day of the 9th m

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the laſt 6th day of the 9th mo. 1692. And the meeting hath agreed that by reaſon of the weakneſs of Elisabeth Rogers And at the deſire of John Rogers her Huſband, that a Meeting ſhall be kept at their Houſe on the third 4th Day in each month, by Friends of Scituate & Marſhfield. It is further agreed that Arthur Howland take care & look after that Book that Joseph Howland had in keeping, and such papers as concern the Meeting, and take them into his hands for the uſe of the Meeting.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the laſt 6th day of the 12th mo 1692. At which Meeting it is agreed that whereas there has been a Meeting kept at Judith Barker's at Mallekeeſet, and whereas divers friends belonging to said Meeting are diſſatiſfied with ſome of the ſaid Judith's Carriages & Actions do incline rather to go to other Meetings til they were better ſatisfied, this Meeting doth declare that they have Unity with them in ſo doing.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wantons the last 6th day of the 3rd mo 1693. Friends have chosen Edward Wanton to repreſent this Meeting at Rhode Island Yearly Meeting.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the last

6th day of the 9th mo 1693 Friends order that five Shillings left in Edward Wanton's hands should be diſtributed to some in want.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the laſt 6th day of the 12th mo 1693. and friends agreed to have a Meeting at Hull the last 4th day of the 3rd m, and last 4th day of the 6th mo.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wantons the last 6th day of the 3d mo 1694 —— No Buſineſs

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the last 6th day of the 6th mo 1694 —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the last 6th day of the 9th mo 1694 —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the last 6th day of the 12th mo 1694 —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the 31st 4th mo 1695. And Friends have agreed that the Meeting at Hull shall be kept on the last 4th Days of the 2d & 4th mos

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wantons the last 6th day of the 6th mo 1695 —— N. Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the last 6th day of the 9th mo 1695. —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the last 6th day of the 12th mo 1695.— —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the laſt 6th day of the 3d mo 1696. —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the last 6th day of the 6th mo 1696. This Meeting is adjourn'd to 18th 7th mo

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's 18th 7th mo 1696. This Meeting hath agreed that whatſoever outward differences do ariſe among Friends shall not be mentioned at any Meeting of Worship & if any friend preſume so to it shall be deemed a Breach of the order of Truth and are to be proceeded with as Offenders.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the last 6th Day of the 9th mo 1696 —— No Buſineſs

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the last 6th day of the 3d mo 1697 —— No Buſineſs

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the last 6th day of the 6th mo 1697 —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the last 6th day of the 9th mo 1697. And it is agreed by this Meeting that John

Rogers Jun^r. & Abraham Booth do ſpeak with Zachariah Coleman about his Marriage, and give his anſwers to the next Quarterly Meeting

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the laſt 6^th day of the 12^th m^o 1697. —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the laſt 6^th day of the 3^d m^o 1698 —— No Buſineſs

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the laſt 6^th day of the 6^th m^o 1698. And Zachariah Coleman appear'd and Acknowledged his fault in his Marriage.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the laſt 6^th day of the 9^th m^o 1698. And friends have agreed that the monthly Meeting which is kept at the houſe of Robert Barker in Duxborough shall be a Meeting of Buſineſs, as it is among friends elſewhere.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the laſt 6^th day of the 12 m^o 1798 —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the laſt 6^th day of the 3^d m^o 1699 —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the laſt 6^th day of the 6^th m^o 1699. —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Edward Wanton's the laſt 6^th day of the 12^th m^o 1669. —— No Buſineſs.

A Quarterly Meeting was kept at Edward Wantons the 4^th Day of the 8^th Month, and the ſeveral Meetings called over, for Rhode Iſland appeared William Barker & Ephraim Hicks; for Dartmouth Benjamin Howland and Jacob Mott; for Sandwich Robert Harper & Daniel Butler for Scituate John Rogers & Edward Wanton; for Salem & Lynn Richard Okes & John Collins; for Dover Hampton & Greenwich none. This Meeting is adjourn'd til next Year if the Lord Pleaſe.

At a Quarterly Meeting held 18^th 1^st m^o 1705/6. for Rhode Iſland appeared Jacob Mott, & William Barker: for Dartmouth Increaſe Allen: for Salem Samuel Gaskil & Richard Oaks. for Scituate John Rogers: for Sandwich Daniel Allen & Zacheus Jenkins. for Greenwich, Hampton, & Dover, none.

Purſuant to the agreement of the laſt Yearly Meeting at Scituate concerning helping to build a Meeting Houſe at Salem, Friends from Rhode Iſland Monthly Meeting gives Account that they have Subſcribed the Sum of £ 30. and friends from Dartmouth monthly Monthly Meeting have Subſcribed the Sum of £ 6. 5. —, and give this Meeting reaſon to hope they will make it up £10——, Scituate Friends are willing to raiſe £10.., more, which with what Friends are willing to raise among themſelves at Salem, we are apt to think will build said Houſe. —— ſomething being propos'd to this Meeting concerning ſetling two Meetings more for buſineſs for Sandwich and Scituate: to theſe two we already have one in a Quarter as Quarterly, to be kept two at each place, and to deſist calling of the other monthly Meetings for this Meeting as formerly, which the monthly Meetings of Sandwich & Scituate deſire opportunity to conſider of, and are by this Meeting deſired to give an Account of their Reſult at the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island, in order if that Meeting thinks it convenient it may be ſetled; and we deſire that our Yearly Meeting may not be leſſen'd thereby. ——Friends at Sandwich propos'd the ſuffering caſes of ſeveral Fr^ds there, for advice; which this Meeting conſidering of do think it proper to lay it before the next county Court, and appoints John Wing and Daniel Allen, with some of the ſufferers, to take a Copy of their ſufferings with them, and lay the unreaſonableneſs of their doings and illegal Proceedings, before them.

At a Quarterly Meeting at our uſual place, held the 9th of the 12th month 1706. Scituate monthly Meeting being called, Thomas Coleman appeared.

At our Quarterly Meeting at the Meeting Houſe 8th. 10th mo 1706 the ſeveral monthly Meetings being call'd,

For Scituate appear'd, Robert Barker & Thomas Howland.

for Sandwich, John Wing & Zaccheus Jenkins.

At this Meeting Friends from other Meetings brought their proportion of Money: from Dartmouth by Eleazer Slocum: from Scituate by Robert Barker & Thomas Howland: from Sandwich by John Wing & Zaccheus Jenkins.

At our Quarterly Meeting at Sandwich Meeting Houſe 22nd. 1st mo 1707. At this Meeting our friend Samuel Wilkinſon had his Certificate read amongst us, from Ireland, and had another ſigned.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 10th. 10th mo 1711. The ſeveral monthly Meetings being called

For Sandwich appeared John Wing and Daniel Allen.

For Scituate Edward Wanton.

From Scituate no Buſineſs, but their Love to Friends.

from Sandwich monthly Meeting they deſire some Advice how to proceed with William Gifford for his disorderly walking, with which this Meeting ends in Love.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 24th 1st mo 1712.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings being call'd
For Sandwich appear'd John Wing & Daniel Allen.
For Scituate John Rogers & John Walker.

The ſufferings of our Friends at Sandwich being read at this Meeting are ordered to be sent to the Yearly Meeting.—— Scituate Monthly Meeting hath sent to this Meeting £2..15..– for the uſe of John Crow, & Edward Perry receiv'd the ſame and is deſired to ſend it to him—— Enquiry having been made concerning the work of visiting, find ſomething hath been done, and hope that for the future there will be thorough visiting made.—— John Wing and Edward Perry are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to ye Yearly Meeting, and ſign the ſame in the Meetings behalf—— The friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting are John Wing, Stephen Harper, Samuel Barker & Thomas Howland.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Scituate 22nd 8th mo 1712.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings being call'd
For Sandwich appear'd Daniel Allen & Edward Perry.

Isaac Barker is appointed Clerk for this Meeting, in which no Buſineſs to be done.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 8th 10th mo 1712.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called upon
For Sandwich appeared John Wing and Daniel Allen.
For Scituate John Rogers & John Walker.

The Repreſentatives for Scituate preſented preſented an Epistle to this Meeting from their monthly Meeting declaring their love & Unity among themselves, and that at present they are releaſ'd from the Priests Rate, from Sandwich no Account of any Buſineſs— whereas Sandwich Quarterly Meeting delivered some money to Edward Perry for him to deliver to John Crow of Yarmouth for his relief, he having been much visited with Sickneſs, which the ſaid Edward informs this Meeting he hath performed.—— It being propos'd at this Meeting concerning Isaac Barker's being Clerk of the Quarterly Meeting of Scituate & Sandwich, and propoſed, for several reaſons the Chooſing another, which is refer'd to the next Quarterly Meeting for result. John Wing is appointed to write an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting of Scituate and Sandwich.

At our Quarterly Meeting at Sandwich Meeting Houſe $23^{d}.1^{mo}\ 17\frac{12}{13}$
The ſeveral Monthly Meetings being called upon.
For Situate appear'd Edward Wanton & John Walker.
For Sandwich, Daniel Allen & John Wing.

We receiv'd an Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting which was receiv'd, intimating how things far'd with them, being of ſome ſufferings on Account of the Priests Rates, and that the Viſitors have taken care to discharge their Duty in Viſiting Families. alſo receiv'd an Epistle from Situate monthly Meeting but no Account of their visiting friends Families. —— This Meeting makes choice of Edward Perry for Clerk of this Quarterly Meeting, and Michael Wanton for the Quarterly Meeting of Scituate. —— John Wing & Daniel Allen are are chosen to attend the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island, and for Situate Thomas Howland & John Walker. —— Abraham Booth & Edward Perry are Chosen to draw an Epiſtle to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island. —— It is propos'd at this Meeting that the ſufferings of friends be ſent to the Yearly Meeting in order to be laid before the Governour. —— This Meeting orders that those appointed to draw an Epistle to the Yearly Meeting, do draw Epiſtles for the monthly Meetings alſo. —— It is the mind of this Meeting that Edward Perry keep the Quarterly Meeting Book of Records. —— This Meeting is adjourn'd to the Quarterly Meeting of Scituate.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich Meeting Houſe; $14^{th},10^{th} m^{o}$ 1713 —— The ſeveral Monthly Meetings being call'd upon.
For Situate appear'd Abraham Booth & William James.
For Sandwich Daniel Allen & John Dillingham.

Receiv'd an Account from Scituate of their Care in visiting Friend's families, and that the affairs of Truth are pretty well amongst them, —— No Account from Sandwich. —— This Meeting doth appoint Abraham Booth and Edward Perry to write an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting.

(22. 1^{mo} 1714
At a Quarterly Meeting held at our Meeting Houſe in Sandwich
The ſeveral monthly Meetings being called upon.
For Situate appeared Thomas Howland & Abraham Booth.
For Sandwich John Wing & Daniel Allen.

We underſtand that at Situate they have been in the Practice of Viſiting according to the order Eſtabliſhed —— Some ſufferings were presented to this Meeting from Scituate, for not paying the Priests Rate —— The Epistle from the yearly Meeting at Rhode Island was read in this Meeting & kindly Accepted. ——

The buſineſs of Sandwich monthly Meeting called, and they give an Account that they have been in the Practice of Viſiting Friends families, and that friends ſtand pretty faithful in their Teſtimony against paying the Priests Rate and bearing of Arms, and the Sufferings brought in to this Meeting are allowed and ordered to be sent up to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island. —— We have an Account of Thomas Chalkley's anſwering in Print the Priest of Succaneſset's Letter concerning the Lawfulneſs of a forc'd Maintenance, and this Meeting agrees to take one Hundred of them. —— Michael Wanton & Thomas Howland are appointed to attend the Next Yearly Meeting from Situate, and John Wing, Daniel Allen, and Stephen Harper from Sandwich, and Daniel Allen & Stephen Harper are appointed to draw an Epistle to ſaid Yearly Meeting & Sign it in behalf of this Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich Meeting houſe 13th 10th mo 1714. The ſeveral Meetings being call'd

For Situate appear'd none.

For Sandwich John Wing & Edward Perry.

But no Account of any Buſineſs depending.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich Meeting Houſe 21st 1st mo 1715. The several Monthly Meetings being called upon

For Situate appear'd Isaac Barker & Abraham Booth.

For Sandwich John Wing & Daniel Allen.

We underſtand that Friends in Situate are in the practice of viſiting friends families; and find that things are pretty well amongst them. and from Sandwich alſo the ſame Acct. —— An Epistle from the Yearly Meeting held at Rhode Island was read & kindly accepted —— This Meeting hath delivered to Isaac Barker the Sum of two Pounds ten Shillings to pay to Walter Newberry on Account of a piece of Land purchaſed in Boston. —— John Wing and Edward Perry are appointed to writ an Epiſtle to Rhode Island Yearly Meeting, and Daniel Allen, Thomas Howland, & Abraham Booth & John Wing are appointed to attend the ſaid Meeting —— This Meeting hath reciev'd 50 of Thomas Chalkley's Books, half for Sandwich, and half for Situate: Edward Perry hath reciev'd that part of them that belongs to Sandwich, in order to diſpose of them, & the Money to be delivered to John Wing & Daniel Allen to be carried up to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island — Isaac Barker and Abraham Booth hath reciev'd that part of them that belongs to Situate to Diſpoſe of and ſend the Money by Thomas Howland to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich Meeting Houſe 12th. 10th mo 1715. The monthly Meetings being called upon

Appear'd for Scituate none.

For Sandwich, Daniel Allen, John Dillingham, & Edward Perry.

No Buſineſs depending this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich, 19th 1st mo 1716. The monthly Meetings being called,

Appear'd for Scituate, Edward Wanton, & John Walker.

For Sandwich, Daniel Allen.

Find by Account from Scituate that the affairs of Truth are pretty well amongst them, and by account from Sandwich that friends ſtand pretty clear againſt paying the priests Rates, and training, but there is a ſhortneſs in their coming to week day meetings. —— Benjamin Holm produced his Certificate from great Brittain which was read and well accepted. —— John Wing and Edward Perry are deſired to draw an Epistle to the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, and ſign it in behalf of the Meeting —— The friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island are, John Wing, Daniel Allen, Edward Wanton, John Walker, Edward Perry and Abraham Booth, and they are to carry an Account of friends ſufferings to ſaid Yearly Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich Meeting Houſe the 16th of 10th mo 1716. The monthly Meetings being call'd upon.

Appear'd for Scituate, John Walker.

For Sandwich, Daniel Allen, & John Wing.

No Account from Sandwich or Scituate —— This Meeting appoints Robert Barker to go & give the Governour a Visit in behalf of the Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich Meeting Houſe, 18th. 1st mo 1717. For Sandwich ſeveral friends were preſent but none for Scituate —— This Meeting appoints John Wing, Daniel Allen, Isaac Robertson, Michael Wanton, & John Walker, & Robert Barker, to attend the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, and do order Edward Perry to write an Epiſtle to the ſaid Meeting, and an Account to each Monthly Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting, at our meeting Houſe in Sandwich, 15th. 10th mo. 1717. The monthly Meetings being called upon, appeared,

For Scituate, Joseph Estes, but no Buſineſs.

For Sandwich, John Wing, & Daniel Allen.

The Epistles from the Yearly Meeting was read in this Meeting and well accepted —— This Meeting appoints John Wing, and Edward

Perry to write an Epistle to each Monthly Meeting and sign them.

At our Quarterly Meeting at Sandwich 24th. 1st. mo 1718.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings being call'd upon.
Appear'd for Scituate John Walker, but no Acct.
For Sandwich John Wing & Daniel Allen.

They give an Account that they have visited friends families and they ſtand faithful against paying the Priests & training. friends are not so careful in keeping to plainneſs of Speech as they ought to be, — From Yarmouth no Account, which is left to further Conſideration, till the Quarterly Meeting in the 10th mo. — Edward Perry is appointed to write Epistles to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island & Joseph Saunders, John Wing, Daniel Allen, John Walker, & Michael Wanton, are appointed to attend ſaid Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 3d. 10th. mo 1718.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings being called upon.
For Scituate, appear'd none.
For Sandwich, John Wing, & Daniel Allen.

This Meeting orders John Wing, and Daniel Allen, to ſend to Scituate monthly Meeting, to order them to gather four Pounds towards the making up that Money that was ordered by the Yearly Meeting for the uſe of Friends — It is agreed upon at this Meeting, that whereas Yarmouth preparative Meeting hath been negligent in attending the monthly Meeting, or of giving an Account thereto of the affairs of truth among them, that Joseph Wanton, John Wing, & John Tucker to go and ſpeak with them to know the Reaſon of their neglect, and to Adviſe them to be more careful for the future, and make return to the next Monthly Meeting of their proceeding therein — John Wing and Daniel Allen are appointed to Draw an Epistle to each monthly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 21st. 1st mo 1719.
The ſeveral Monthly Meetings being call'd upon,
For Scituate appear'd none, nor no Account.
For Sandwich, John Wing, & Daniel Allen,

They give an Account in Sandwich that the Viſiters have really generally visited friends Families and find them inclinable to an Amendment of former miſcarriages — Friends ſufferings brought in & accepted — John Wing & Edward Perry are appointed to draw up an Account to the Yearly Meeting, also Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting: and John Wing, Daniel Allen, Michael Wanton, & Caleb Barker are appointed to attend ſd Yearly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at the Houſe of Michael Wanton in Situate 5th 8th mo 1719. The ſeveral monthly Meetings call'd upon,
For Sandwich, appeared John Wing, & Daniel Allen.
For Situate, Thomas Rogers, & Thomas Howland.

The repreſentatives of Sandwich bring no Account in writing, an Account from the monthly Meeting of Situate, was reciev'd & read —— The Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting at London, and a cautionary Epiſtle againſt Pride were likewiſe read, and were all kindly accepted. —— This Meeting hath appointed Caleb Barker Clerk of the Quarterly Meeting at Situate —— Michael Wanton & Caleb Barker are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to the monthly Meetings, and ſign the ſame.

At our Quarterly Meeting in Sandwich 14th 10th mo 1719.
For Sandwich, Joſeph Saunders preſent, for Situate, none appears.

This Meeting is inform'd that Yarmouth Weekly Meeting continues very ſlack in attending monthly Meetings: wherefore Edward Perry and Edward Wing, are appointed to go and know the Cauſe, and return their Anſwer to the next Quarterly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 21st 1st mo 1720
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called upon,
For Situate appeared John Rogers, & John Walker.
For Sandwich, Daniel Allen & Edward Wing.

Whereas Edward Perry and Edward Wing, were ordered by the last Quarterly Meeting to go to Yarmouth to know the reaſon of their ſlackneſs in attending monthly Meetings, and they not having perform'd that ſervice, is ſtill continued, and to bring an Account to the next quarterly Meeting to be held here, and Jacob Mott is deſired to aſſiſt them in the buſineſs —— The buſineſs of Sandwich monthly Meeting called, as to viſiting no Account by reaſon one of their Viſitors is abſent; as to the hireling Prieſts they keep up their Teſtimony pretty well, ſeveral having ſuffered by them, and their ſufferings ordered to brought to this Meeting; as to keeping to week day Meetings, and the plain language, there is not the care taken which ought to be. —— The Buſineſs of Situate called, none preſented. —— The ſufferings from Sandwich monthly Meeting preſented, & peruſed & approved, and are ordered to be ſent to the next Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island. —— Daniel Allen & Ebenezer Wing are appointed to attend the yearly Meeting. and Edward Perry & Ebenezer Wing, are ordered to draw Epiſtles to the monthly Meetings, and ſign them in behalf of this Meeting. —— Whereas John Chaſe of Yarmouth hath been under dealing by Yarmouth monthly Meeting, for his diſorderly walking, and

Judgment having gone againſt him, he had appeal'd to the Quarterly Meeting, but he not appearing, this Meeting confirms the Judgment of ſaid monthly Meeting, and do conclude he ought to be denied.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Scituate 28. 4.mo 1720. at the Houſe of Michael Wanton. The monthly Meetings called on,

For Scituate, appeared Michael Wanton, Caleb Barker:

For Sandwich none: nor no buſineſs.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at our Meeting Houſe in Sandwich 12. 10.mo 1720. The ſeveral monthly Meetings being called on.

For Sandwich appeared ſeveral Friends, but no Acc.t according to order.

For Scituate none.

Edward Perry and Edward Wing inform this Meeting that they have been to Yarmouth, and have ſpoken with friends there concerning their neglect of attending monthly Meetings, but they gave them no anſwer at all, therefore this Meeting doth order Edward Perry & Edward Wing, Stephen Harper & Joseph Saunders, being joyned to them in the ſervice, to go again to Yarmouth and ſtir them up to more diligence in that ſervice, and to know the reaſon of their great ſlackneſs, and return their anſwer to the next Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting at our Meeting Houſe in Sandwich 20.d 1.mo 1721. The ſeveral monthly meetings called on.

Stephen Harper, Edward Perry, & Edward Wing informs this Meeting that they have been at Yarmouth and ſpoken with Friends there concerning their groſs neglect of attending monthly Meetings, but very little anſwer; ſo do think it beſt to let it reſt at preſent. — For Scituate Robert Barker preſent, and brought an Account ſignifying that they are Incapable of giving any thing towards Salem meeting houſe — Some ſufferings brought into this Meeting, which are accepted, and ordered to be ſent up to the Yearly Meeting —— The Epiſtle of our Yearly Meeting was read, and kindly accepted. —— John Wing, Thomas Howland and Ebenezer Wing, are ordered to attend the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island, and alſo to draw an Account to ſaid Meeting & ſign it in behalf of this Meeting, & in like manner to write an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at the houſe of Michael Wanton in Scituate. 9.th 8.th m 1721. The ſeveral Meetings being called on,

For Sandwich appeared John Wing & Stephen Harper.

For Scituate Michael Wanton & Thomas Howland.

An Epiſtle from Sandwich, but never had visited them, be more careful for the future, and to be more diligent in keeping their Meetings in the good order of truth — An Epiſtle from the Monthly Meeting of Scituate was read among us. — Receiv'd an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting which was read, and in it orders for raiſing of £3. out of this Quarterly Meeting for the use of the Yearly Meeting. Sandwich to collect thirty Shillings, and Scituate thirty shillings. — An Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting held in London was read to our mutual comfort, and the Advice therein given is deſired to be followed, and that Paragraph concerning the wearing extravagant or unneceſſary Wigs is directed to be laid before each monthly Meeting for consideration how to prevent its prevailing among Friends, and to be brought to the Quarterly Meeting in order to be carried to the Yearly Meeting. — Robert Barker Michael Wanton & Caleb Barker are ordered to draw Epiſtles to the monthly Meetings, and to ſign the ſame.

At our Quarterly Meeting kept at our meeting houſe in Sandwich 11th. 10th mo. 1721. The ſeveral monthly Meetings called on,
For Sandwich appear ſeveral Friends, for Scituate none.
This Meeting doth appoint John Wing, and Edward Perry, to write an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at our meeting houſe in Sandwich, 17th 1st mo 1722. The ſeveral monthly Meetings called upon.
For Sandwich, appear'd John Wing & Stephen Harper.
For Scituate, Robert & John Walker.
The Buſineſs of Sandwich monthly Meeting called, and they give an account that their Viſiters have visited friends families and that their Viſits were kindly accepted, and that friends ſtand pretty clear in their Teſtimonies against paying to the hireling Priests &c and against training. — From Scituate no written Account but their repreſentatives do inform that they have conſidered of the yearly Meeting's writing to friends wearing of unneceſſary extravagant Perriwigs, and do conclude that the beſt way to ſuppreſs it is for the visitors & Elders of each particular Meeting to adviſe & admoniſh such as they ſee going into the ſame: but Sandwich not yet having done any thing in that matter, they are deſir'd to conſider of it at their next monthly Meeting, ſo that their ſenſe thereon may be put into the Account from this Meeting to the Yearly Meeting. — John Wing, Daniel Allen, Michael Wanton, Obadiah Butler, Ebenezer Wing, and Stephen Harper, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting: and John Wing & Edward Perry, to draw up an Account to ſaid Yearly Meeting and Epiſtles to the monthly Meetings. — Tis deſir'd

by this Meeting, that the monthly Meeting of Scituate be deſired by Epistle to appoint overseers in their Meeting and to be careful for time to come to ſend Accounts to this Meeting in writing.—— the ſenſe and judgment of Sandwich monthly meet in Relation to Wigs is, that if any friend by reaſon of Age or Sickneſs have lost their Hair, may wear a ſmall decent Wig, as much like their owne hair as may be. but for any friend to cut of their Hair on purpose to wear a Wig, seems to be more pride than Profit, and where any profeſsing truth with us go into the same, they ought to be proceeded against as diſorderly walkers.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at the Houſe of Michael Wanton 26th 4th mo 1722. None appeard for Sandwich or ſcituate —— Robert Barker and Caleb Barker are to draw Epistles to each monthly meeting, and to adviſe that for the future they be more careful.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Michael Wanton's in Scituate, 8th 8th mo 1722. The monthly Meetings called on,

For Sandwich appear'd Daniel Allen, & Stephen Harper.

For Scituate, Michael Wanton, & Isaac Barker.

An Epistle from Sandwich, & one from Scituate, were reciev'd to Satisfaction, an Epistle from the yearly Meeting was likewiſe reciev'd, and read to satiſfaction, and the advice therein given is deſir'd to be obſerved —— Michael Wanton & Caleb Barker are appointed to draw an Epistle to each monthly Meeting, and recommend the advice given in the Yearly Meeting Epistle to be obſerved.

At our Quarterly meeting held at our meeting houſe in Sandwich. 16th 10th mo 1722. The monthly Meetings being call'd upon.

For Sandwich appeared John Wing, & Edward Perry.

For Scituate none.

This Meeting doth appoint John Wing, & Stephen Harper, to go to Yarmouth, and to know the reaſon of their great neglect of attending monthly Meetings, and to endeavour to perſwade them to more diligence.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at our meeting Houſe in Sandwich. 18th 1st mo 1723. The ſeveral monthly Meetings being call'd upon,

For Scituate appeard John Rogers

For Sandwich John Wing & Stephen Harper.

From Scituate no Account. the Account from Sandwich mo Mtly Meeting was read; by which it appears they were in the Practice of visiting friends families and hope things are better than they have been in Sandwich & Falmouth; and that they are still under ſufferings by the hireling Priests, and alſo that Yarmouth Meeting has wholly neglected attending their monthly Meetings —— Some ſufferings preſented to this Meeting, and are ordered to be ſent up to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Iſland. —— The Minutes of the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Iſland were read in this Meeting. —— This Meeting appoints John Wing and Stephen Harper, to go to Yarmouth, to ſtir up friends to be more careful in attending the monthly Meeting, and to inform Joſhua Wickson of the care that Friends have for him. —— The Epiſtle of Caution from friends in London, relating to the late granted Affirmation, was read in this Meeting, alſo the form of the Affirmation —— Edward Perry, & Humphry Wady, are appointed to draw up an Account to the Yearly Meeting; also Epiſtles to each monthly Meeting, giving an account of what is needful to be recommended to them, And Michael Wanton, Caleb Barker, Mathew Eſtes, John Wing, Ebenezer Wing, Joshua Wing, & Stephen Harper, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at the Houſe of Michael Wanton in Scituate 7th 8th mo 1723. The monthly Meetings call'd on.

For Sandwich, appear'd John Wing, & Edward Perry.

For Scituate, Thomas Rogers, & Michael Wanton.

An Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting, alſo one from Scituate monthly Meeting, were read and kindly accepted. —— This Meeting has appointed Mathew Eaſtes, & Caleb Barker, to draw an Epiſtle to the monthly Meeting, & to ſign the ſame.

At our Quarterly Meeting the 9th 10th mo 1723. The monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting called on, but no Account by writing. —— The Epiſtles from the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Iſland were read. —— There is no difference in Temporal things, between two friends, to be allowed of an Appeal to the Quarterly Meeting, but must be moved in the monthly Meeting. —— This Meeting appoints Edward Perry, & Humphrey Wadey, to write an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting belonging to this Quarterly Meeting. alſo this Meeting appoints Ebenezer Wing, & Joseph Saunders, to visit ye Friends at Yarmouth, and to know the reaſon of their Slackneſs in not coming to this monthly Meeting, and to ſtir them up to more diligence in time to come, and to return their Anſwer to the next Quarterly Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held in our meeting Houſe in Sandwich 23d 1st mo 1724. The ſeveral monthly Meetings called upon.

For Scituate appeared Thomas Rogers, & Thomas Howland.

For Sandwich, John Wing & Stephen Harper.

An Epiſtle from Scituate monthly Meeting, and alſo one from Sandwich monthly Meeting, were receiv'd and read & kindly accepted—— Ebenezer Wing, and Joseph Saunders, being appointed at the Quarterly Meeting to visit Friends at Yarmouth to know their reaſon, for not coming to this monthly Meeting, have by reaſon of ſickneſs in their Families neglected going there, and are by this Meeting continued to perform the ſaid Viſit—— an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting in London was read in this Meeting and accepted with general ſatiſfaction—— The Books of Eliſabeth Jacobs ordered for this Meeting were brought here & divided.—— John Wing, and Stephen Harper, for Sandwich monthly Meeting, and Michael Wanton Thomas Howland & Thomas Rogers, for Scituate monthly Meeting, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting.—— Edward Perry, and Humphrey Wady, are appointed to write an Account to ſaid Yearly Meeting.—— An account of friends ſufferings were read in this Meeting, & approved of.—— Edward Perry & Humphrey Wady are appointed to write an Epiſtle to the monthly Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembrook 24th 4th m 1724.
The monthly Meetings called on,
For Scituate appeared, Robert Barker, & Michael Wanton.
For Sandwich none.
This Meeting appoints Matthew Estes, and Caleb Barker, to draw Epiſtles to each monthly Meeting, and to ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembrook, 5th 8th m 1724. The monthly Meetings called upon,
For Sandwich appeared, Daniel Allen, & Stephen Harper.
For Scituate, Michael Wanton, & Thomas Howland.
Receiv'd an Epiſtle from Sandwich, alſo one from Scituate, both of which were read & kindly accepted.—— This Meeting hath appointed Friends to draw Epiſtles to each monthly Meetings & ſign the ſame.

At our Quarterly Meeting kept at our Meeting Houſe in Sandwich 15th 10th m. 1724. The ſeveral monthly Meetings called on.
For Sandwich, appeared John Wing.
For Scituate none. nor no Account.
The repreſentative from Sandwich informs this Meeting, that they have no Viſitors among them, and that Pride is got to a pretty heighth among them; and they deſire this Quarterly Meeting may be on the ſecond Day after the monthly Meeting, which is referr'd to the next Quarterly Meeting: that Yarmouth weekly Meeting is negligent of attending monthly Meetings. wherefore this Meeting appoints Humphrey Wady and Edward Perry, to write to

them to ſtir them up to more diligence; alſo Edward Perry is appointed to write an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting.

At our quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich, 22d. 1st. mo 1725.
The monthly Meetings being call'd upon,
For Sandwich appeared Ebenezer Wing, & Humphrey Wady.
For Scituate, Caleb Barker, & Thomas Howland.

This Meeting doth agree that the Quarterly Meeting in Sandwich shall be held on the second day after the monthly Meeting, and that it shall be sent in the Epistle to the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Iſland for approbation. —— This Meeting accounts it adviſeable for the monthly Meeting to continue the weekly Meeting of Yarmouth ſtill under their Care, and proceed against diſorderly walkers among them, according to the good order of Truth. —— The Epiſtles from the monthly Meetings of Sandwich & Scituate were read, and well accepted. —— This Meeting appoints John Wing, Daniel Allen, Michael Wanton, & Thomas Howland, to attend the yearly meeting at Rhode Island enſuing, alſo Edward Perry, and Humphrey Wady, are appointed to write an Epiſtle to ſaid Yearly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke 28. 4th mo. 1725.
the ſeveral monthly Meetings called upon,
For Scituate appear'd, Michael Wanton.
For Sandwich none. No Buſineſs presents.

At a quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke 4th. 8th mo 1725.
The ſeverall monthly Meetings called upon,
For Sandwich appeared John Wing, & Joſhua Wing.
For Scituate, Thomas Howland, & Michael Wanton.

Receiv'd Epiſtles from each monthly, which were read & kindly accepted, alſo one from the yearly Meeting which was likewiſe read to ſatiſfaction, and the collecting the Sum of twenty pounds therein mention'd, be returnd to each monthly Meeting to conſider of, & make Return to next Quarterly Meeting what they will do. —— Thomas Howland, & Caleb Barker, are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting, & ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at our meeting Houſe in Sandwich 21st. 1st mo. 1725/6. Thomas Howland, and Mathew Estes, were appointed at Scituate to attend this Meeting, and are both here. John Wing, & Stephen Harper, were appointed for Sandwich. Epiſtles from Scituate & Sandwich monthly Meetings, were read in this Meeting & well accepted, and John Wing, Stephen Harper, Michael Wanton, and Thomas Howland, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island enſuing.— Humphrey Wady is appointed to write an Epiſtle to ſaid Yearly Meeting, alſo to write an Epistle to Scituate monthly Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at our meeting houſe in Sandwich, 5th 12th mo 1726. The ſeveral monthly Meetings called upon,
For Sandwich appeared, John Wing & Joſhua Wing.
For Scituate, none.

An Account from Sandwich monthly Meeting was read, and Accepted.— This Meeting appoints John Wing, & Edward Perry to write Epiſtles to the monthly Meetings, and to adviſe Scituate monthly Meeting to be more careful to send the Epiſtles of the Yearly Meeting to this Meeting, and alſo the minutes of the Quarterly Meeting to the place where the Book is kept, that they may be recorded.

At our Quarterly Meeting of friends held at our meeting houſe in Sandwich, 20th 1st mo 1726/7 the ſeveral monthly meetings called on,
For Sandwich appeared, Joſhua Wing, & John Wing.
For Scituate, Caleb Barker.

An Account from Scituate was read & accepted;— The viſitors in Sandwich give an account that they are in that good practice of viſiting Families, and they find there is an undue liberty gotten in amongst some that profeſs truth, yet there is a remnant that they hope keep their places.— The Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island was read in this Meeting, & kindly accepted.— This Meeting appoints John Wing, Joſhua Wing, Michael Wanton, & Thomas Howland, to attend the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island, alſo John Wing, and Edward Perry, are appointed to write an Account to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island: and also to each monthly Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke 7th 8th mo 1727.
The ſeveral monthly being call'd
For Sandwich appeared, John Wing, & Ebenezer Wing.
For Scituate, Caleb Barker.

From Sandwich no Account, from Scituate an Epiſtle which was read & kindly accepted.— This Meeting doth appoint Michael Wanton, & Caleb Barker, to draw Epiſtles to the monthly Meetings, and ſign the Same.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at our meeting Houſe in Sandwich 4th 12th mo 1727. The ſeveral monthly Meetings being call'd upon, For Scituate non appears, for Sandwich but few present by reaſon of the extremity of the weather: No buſineſs presents at this Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at our meeting Houſe in Sandwich, 18th 1st mo 1727/8. The ſeveral monthly Meetings call'd on,

For Sandwich appear'd, John Wing, & Humphrey Wadey.

For Scituate, Caleb Barker, & Thomas Howland.

An Account from Sandwich, and another from Scituate monthly Meetings, were read & accepted. —— Our Friend Joshua Fielding's Certificate from friends in London, was read in this Meeting and well accepted. —— John Wing, & Humphrey Wadey are appointed to draw up an Epiſtle to the Yearly Meeting of Friends at Rhode Island. and John Wing, & Ebenezer Wing, from Sandwich, and Caleb Barker, and Thomas Howland, from Scituate, are appointed to attend the ſaid Yearly Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke 7th 8th mo 1728.

The ſeveral Monthly Meetings being call'd on,

For Sandwich appeared Daniel Allen, & Joshoa Wing.

For Scituate, Thomas Howland, & Caleb Barker.

An Epistle from Sandwich, and one from Scituate were read & kindly accepted; alſo an Epistle from the Yearly meeting was reciev'd, & read to ſatiſfaction, wherein is ſignified that there is some Money to be collected in order to make a Preſent to Richard Partridge for his Services to Friends, and that we are deſired to gather £8. wherefore it is concluded that Sandwich gather £5. 5. & Scituate £2. 15. — —— The Yearly Meeting have agreed to have 1000 of Robert Barclay's Apologies printed, and to encourage the ſame, we do Subſcribe according to the names & Numbers under written – (viz.

Isaac Barker	2	Michael Wanton	2	Thomas Rogers	2
Robert Barker	1	Mathew Estes	1	John Walker	1
Thomas Coleman	1	Caleb Barker	2		
Abraham Booth	1	Thomas Howland	2		

At our Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 9th 10th mo 1728.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings call'd upon,

Belonging To Sandwich, a pretty many friends present. from Scituate no friend present. An Account from Sandwich monthly Meeting was read, wherein they give an Account that one of their Siſtors is remov'd by Death, and that the other has not brought any Account of the affairs of Friends families. —— Ebenezer Wing & Humphrey Wadey, were appointed to attend this Meeting by the monthly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting the 24th. 1st mo 1728/9.

Appeard for Sandwich, Ebenezer Wing, & Humphrey Wady.

Appeard from Scituate, none, nor no Account.

An Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting was read & well accepted, Edward Wing & Humphry Wady are appointed to write to Situate and Sandwich monthly Meetings, and Joseph Launder, & Obadiah Butler are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island Enſuing, and Humphry Wady is appointed to draw an Epiſtle to ſaid yearly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke 6. 8 mo 1729.

The monthly Meetings called on,

Appeard for Sandwich, Ebenezer Wing.

For Scituate, Thomas Howland.

The Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting was read & kindly accepted, as were alſo the Epiſtles from Sandwich & Scituate monthly Meetings. Caleb Barker & Michael Wanton, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to each monthly Meeting, & to ſign the ſame —— The ten Pounds mentioned in the yearly Meeting Epiſtle to be gathered in this Meeting, Scituate is to gather 30l. & Sandwich 5l.

At a Quarterly Meeting in Sandwich 23. 1st mo 1729/30. The ſeveral Monthly Meetings called upon,

For Scituate appear'd Thomas Howland.

For Sandwich, Daniel Allen, & Ebenezer Wing.

Epiſtles from Sandwich & Scituate monthly Meetings, alſo an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, were read in this Meeting, & kindly accepted. —— Humphrey Wady, & Edward Wing, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and therein adviſe them to chooſe Visitors, and alſo to draw an Epiſtle to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island; and Michael Wanton, & Thomas Howland, are appointed for Scituate, & Ebenezer Wing, & Humphrey Wady, for Sandwich, to attend ſaid Yearly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke 5th 8th mo 1730. The Meetings thereto belonging call'd on,

For Sandwich appeared, Daniel Allen & Obadiah Butler,

For Scituate, none.

Epiſtles from Sandwich and Scituate monthly Meetings, alſo an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting held in London, wherein were directions concerning friends removal, which is deſired to be obſerved. Alſo an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting held in the 4th mo past, were all receiv'd & read & kindly accepted. —— This Meeting appoints

Thomas Rogers, & Michael Wanton, to get a Deed of the Land of Thomas Coleman, made to them of the Land whereon the old Meeting Houſe in Scituate ſtands. — This Meeting having on their Minds to addreſs the Governour, do appoint Humphrey Wady, & Caleb Barker, to write the ſame, taking the advice of ſome other Friends, and to ſign the same. This Meeting alſo appoints Caleb Barker, & Michael Wanton, to draw an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting, & ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly held in Sandwich, 22d. 1st mo 1730/1. The several monthly Meetings called upon

For Scituate appeared, Thomas Howland.

For Sandwich, Daniel Allen, & Ebenezer Wing.

Reciev'd no Account from Scituate, an Account from Sandwich monthly Meeting was reciev'd & read in this Meeting; and cordial Advice given thereupon, in reſpect to the Slackneſs in Viſiting friends families. — This Meeting appoints Humphrey Wady, and Edward Wing, to write to the monthly Meetings, and therein to adviſe them to appoint Viſitors for time to come, and alſo to ſtir them up to a more diligent attendance of week day Meetings; and alſo to draw up an Epiſtle to the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Iſland; & Ebenezer Wing & Biſhop Wing are appointed for Sandwich, and Michael Wanton & Thomas Howland, for Scituate, to attend ſaid Yearly Meeting. — An Epistle from the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Iſland, was reciev'd & Read in this Meeting & well accepted.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke 4th 8 mo 1731. The monthly Meetings thereto belonging called upon.

For Sandwich Obadiah Butler & Ebenezer Wing.

For Scituate Mathew Eſtes, & Caleb Barker.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from the monthly Meetings of Sandwich, & Scituate, which were read & kindly accepted. — Mathew Estes, & Caleb Barker, are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting, and ſign the ſame. — No Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 6th 10mo 1731.

No friends appeared for, nor any Acct reciev'd from either monthly Meeting. — An Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting of Friends in London, was read in this Meeting, to our mutual Comfort.

At a Quarterly Meeting in Sandwich 20th 1st mo 1731/2. The ſeveral Monthly Meetings called upon.

For Scituate appeared, Thomas Howland

For Sandwich, Ebenezer Wing, & Humphrey Wady.

Accounts were reciev'd from the ſeveral Monthly Meetings, & pretty well accepted. — Ebenezer Wing, Daniel Allen, & Joseph Saunders, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, from Sandwich; & Thomas Howland, Michael Wanton, & Caleb Barker from Scituate to attend the ſame: and Edward Wing & Humphrey Wadey, are appointed to write an Epiſtle to ſaid Yearly Meeting; alſo to the monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke, 9th 8th m^{o} 1732. The monthly Meetings thereto belonging being called upon,

For Sandwich appeared, Hezekiah Hawksey.

For Scituate, Mathew Estes, & Caleb Barker.

Epiſtles from Scituate, & Sandwich monthly Meetings were reciev'd, & Read to Satiſfaction. — Reciev'd from Sandwich the Sum of 53/4 and the remainder of £5. Pembroke Meeting made up, & ſent the ſame to Rhode Island by Clark Rodman. — This Meeting appoints Michael Wanton, & Caleb Barker, to draw Epiſtles to the several monthly Meetings, & Sign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting in Sandwich, 19th 1st m^{o} 173$\frac{2}{3}$. The ſeveral monthly Meetings being called upon;

For Sandwich appeared Daniel Allen, & Ebenezer Wing.

For Scituate none, Nor any Account.

An Account from Sandwich monthly meeting was reciev'd, wherein was a complaint of Diſcipline being neglected; and this Meeting adviſes that for time to come, in particular and in the general, to endeavour to prevent diſorders in the first appearance of them, & if after Admonition they wont be reclaimed, to deal with them as disorderly walkers. — Daniel Allen, & Ebenezer Wing, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island from Sandwich, and Michael Wanton, & Thomas Howland, from Scituate, and Edward Wing, & Humphry Wady, are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to ſaid Meeting. — Our Friend Hannah Dent from England, and Elisabeth Wyatt from Penſylvania, were at this Meeting, and their Certificates were read & well approved of. — Humphrey Wady is appointed to write an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting belonging to this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke, 8th 8th m^{o} 1733. The ſeveral Monthly Meetings being call'd upon,

For Sandwich appeared Obadiah Butler.

For Scituate no Account

Recievd an Epistle from Sandwich which was read to acceptance.

An Epiſtle from London was read and accepted to ſatiſfaction.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 18th 1st mo 1733/4. the Several monthly Meetings being called upon,

For Sandwich appeared, Daniel Allen & Stephen Harper:
For Scituate none, nor no Account.

An Account from Sandwich Meeting was read & well accepted.—— Edward Wing & Humphrey Wady, are appointed to write an Epiſtle to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island, inſuing; and alſo to Sandwich & Scituate monthly Meetings, and to put Scituate in mind of their neglect in not sending either Account or Members to this Meeting.—— Ebenezer Wing, & Obadiah Butler are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, for Sandwich; and Isaac Barker & Thomas Howland, for Scituate, to attend the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke, 7th 8th mo 1734. the ſeveral monthly Meetings being called upon,

For Sandwich appeared none.
For Scituate, Thomas Howland, & Michael Wanton.

Receiv'd an Epiſtle from Scituate monthly Meeting, which was read, & kindly accepted,——. This Meeting appoints Michael Wanton & Caleb Barker to draw Epiſtles to each monthly Meeting & to ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 9th 10th mo 1734.— The ſeveral monthly Meetings call'd upon,

For Sandwich appeared, Edward Wing & Humphry Wady.
For Scituate, none, Nor no Account.

An Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly meeting was read and well receiv'd.—— This Meeting appoints Daniel Allen & his Son Gideon Allen, to write Epiſtles to the several monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, and to ſtir up Scituate monthly Meeting to be more careful in time to come, In attending this Quarterly Meeting, and to send Epiſtles thereto.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich, 24th 1st mo 1734/5 from Scituate no Account; from Sandwich monthly Meeting an Epiſtle was read, & well receiv'd.—— Daniel Allen, & Ebenezer Wing, are appointed to attend the enſuing Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island. and Humphry Wady, & Edward Wing are appointed to write an Epiſtle thereto, and alſo to write to the monthly Meetings of Sandwich, & Scituate; and to ſtir up the latter to more care for time to come, in ſending an Account of the affairs of the Church to this Meeting——. Thomas Howland & Michael Wanton are appointed to attend the

Yearly Meeting from Scituate.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke 5th 8th mo 1735.
The monthly Meetings being called on;
For Sandwich, appeard Ebenezer Wing.
For Scituate, Thomas Howland.
No account from Sandwich, — Receiv'd an Epiſtle from Pembroke meeting, which was read and kindly accepted. — This Meeting doth appoint Thomas Howland, and Isaac Barker to write an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting, & Sign the ſame.

At our Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 8th 10th mo 1735.
From Scituate no friends present, nor no Account
For Sandwich appeard, Ebenezer Wing, & Edward Wing.
The Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting was read.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 22nd 1st mo 1735/6
Appeard from Scituate, Thomas Howland, & Abraham Booth
For Sandwich Daniel Allen & Ebenezer Wing.
An Epistle from Sandwich monthly Meeting, alſo one from Scituate monthly Meeting was read to good Satiſfaction. The Epistle from the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island was alſo read, in which it is requeſted that the Sum of four Pounds be raiſed by the Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich & Scituate, for a general Stock for the Service of Truth, and to be ſent to Clark Rodman Treaſurer. — The Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting in London was read to good Satiſfaction. — Edward Wing & Humphry Wady are appointed to write an Epistle to each monthly Meeting, & to advise them to send ſaid Money up to the next Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island; — Ebenezer Wing, Edward Wing, & Humphry Wady from Sandwich, & Mathew Estes, & Thomas Howland, from Scituate, are appointed to attend ſaid Yearly Meeting, and Edward Wing, & Humphry Wady, are appointed to write thereto, giving them an account of the affairs of Truth.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke 4th 8th mo 1736.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings being call'd on;
For Pembroke appeard Abraham Booth & Isaac Barker.
For Sandwich none.
Receiv'd Epiſtles from Pembroke, & Sandwich, which were read & accepted. — No Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 6th 10th mo 1736
For Sandwich appeard Daniel Allen & Edward Wing.
No Acct from Scituate.

The Epistle from Sandwich Monthly Meeting was read in this Meeting to good Satisfaction.

At our Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 21st 1st mo. 1736/7
Appeard for Scituate or Pembroke, Caleb Barker & Thomas Howland.
For Sandwich, Ebenezer Wing, and Daniel Allen.

An Epistle from Pembroke monthly Meeting, alſo one from Sandwich were read in this Meeting & kindly reciev'd; alſo the Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting of Friends in London was read in this Meeting to general Satiſfaction. — Our Friend Robert Jordan's Certificate from Penſylvania was read in this Meeting, to general Satiſfaction. — Thomas Howland, Caleb Barker, & Mathew Eſtes, from Scituate, and Ebenezer Wing, Edward Wing, & Daniel Allen, from Sandwich, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, Ebenezer Wing, & Humphry Wady, are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to ſaid yearly Meeting, and therein to mention the taking away the Quarterly Meeting ſetled at Scituate the 4th month, and bring to Sandwich to be held the Week after Nantucket Yearly Meeting: and Sandwich Quarterly Meeting in the 11th mo. to be remov'd to Rocheſter to be held there the week after Swanſey Yearly Meeting, and Rocheſter Weekly Meeting to be joyned to Sandwich monthly Meeting. — Ebenezer Wing, & Humphry Wady, are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting belonging to this Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke, 10th 8th mo. 1737.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings call'd upon,
For Sandwich appear'd, Ebenezer Wing & Jaſhub Wing
For Pembroke, Michal Wanton, & Iſaac Barker.

An Epiſtle from Sandwich, & one from Pembroke Meeting, were read & kindly accepted; alſo an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting in London, was read in this Meeting, and the Advice therein given is recommended to friends, with desires that it may be observed — Mathew Eſtes, and Caleb Barker, are to draw an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting, and ſign the ſame; No Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 5th 10th mo. 1737
from Scituate no friend present, nor any Epiſtle from thence. The Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting was read and well accepted, and Ebenezer Wing, & Daniel Allen, are appointed to write an Epiſtle to Pembroke monthly Meeting, and therein to remind them of their ſlackneſs in writing to, & attending our Quarterly Meeting; and alſo deſire them to send up the laſt

Yearl Epistle from London, and Rhode Island Epistle alſo.

At our Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich, 26th 1st mo 1737/8
For Scituate appear'd: Abraham Booth, & John Rogers.
For Sandwich, Daniel Allen, & Edward Wing.

An Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island was read to good ſatisfaction, alſo an Epiſtle from Sandwich was read & well receiv'd, and this Meeting appoints Daniel Allen, & Humphry Wady, to write to the monthly Meetings of Sandwich & Pembroke. — The Epistle from Pembroke monthly Meeting was read, wherein the Advice of this Meeting was deſired, respecting a difference between Isaac Little of Pembroke, & Abraham Booth, & this Meeting adviſes to chooſe a Committee, if the parties cannot agree to Determine it: and as to the clauſe in ſaid Epiſtle reſpecting Abraham Booths vindicating his Son Cain's cauſe in the Law; It is our Opinion that as the matter is repreſented in their Epiſtle, Abraham Booth has broke no Order of friends. — This Meeting appoints Edward Wing, & Humphry Wady, to draw an Epiſtle to the enſuing yearly Meeting of Rhode Island: and alſo appoints Michael Wanton & Abraham Barker from Pembroke, & Edward Wing & Humphry Wady from Sandwich to attend ſaid Yearly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke 5th 5th mo 1738.
The monthly Meetings being call'd upon.
For Sandwich appear'd, Daniel Allen, & Daniel Wing.
For Pembroke, Isaac Barker, & Isaac Walker.

An Epistle from Sandwich, & one from Pembroke, were read in this Meeting, & kindly accepted, and give an Account that things are out of order by reaſon of the difference between Abraham Booth and Isaac Barker, the difference is made up. — An Epistle from the Yearly Meeting, and one from the Yearly Meeting held in London, were read with acceptance. — This Meeting doth appoint Mathew Estes, & Caleb Barker, to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, & ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich. 4th 10th mo 1738.

From Scituate no friends preſent, nor any Account from thence. An Epistle from Sandwich monthly Meeting was read, and well accepted. — Humphry Wady is appointed to draw an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting belonging to this quarterly Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 19th. 1st mo. 1738/9 From Pembroke no Account, nor any friends to attend this Meeting. —— An Account from Sandwich monthly Meeting was read in this Meeting, & kindly accepted, & Humphry Wady is appointed to draw up an Epiſtle to the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, and to ſignify therein the minds, in theſe and other parts to have this Quarter removd a Week later in the Month by reaſon of the difficulty of the weather that generally happens, and alſo to put forward the Alteration of the Meetings as proposed in the first month Meeting in the Year 1738/9. which we believe may be of Service —— Shubael Jones, Gideon Hoxey, Solomon Hoxey, and Humphry Wady, are appointed to write to Scituate or Pembroke monthly Meeting, and to ſignify to them the minds of friends, in removing their Quarterly Meeting in the 4th month to Sandwich; ſo that if they have any thing to object, they may appear at the Yearly Meeting, and make their objections against it.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke 8th 8th mo 1739.
The monthly Meetings called upon.
For Pembroke, appeard Edward Eſtes.
For Sandwich, none, nor Epiſtle.

An Epiſtle from Pembroke monthly Meeting was read & accepted, and Caleb Barker, & Mathew Eſtes, are to draw Epiſtles to each monthly Meeting, & ſign the ſame. —— No Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 15th, 10th mo 1739.
For Pembroke appeared, Abraham Booth, but no Acct from them.
For Sandwich, neither Friend,

The Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting was read to ſatisfaction. —— Abraham Booth, Daniel Allen, & Edward Wing are appointed to proportion Robert Barclay's Apologies, alotted between us and Pembroke by Rhode Island Yearly Meeting. —— Edward Wing, & Gideon Allen, are Chosen to write to Pembroke monthly Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 31st. 1st mo. 1740.
For Scituate appeard John Chapman, but no Account from there.
For Sandwich, Gideon Allen,

Edward Wing & Humphry Wady, are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island, and the ſame for Sandwich; and Michal Wanton, Abraham Booth, & Isaac Walker, from Pembroke to attend the ſame. —— Edward Wing & Humphry Wady, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke. 6th 8th mo. 1740.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings call'd upon,
For Pembroke appeared Mathew Eſtes.
For Sandwich Humphry Wady.

Receiv'd Epiſtles from Pembroke, and Sandwich, which were read to acceptance, alſo an Epiſtle from London, alſo one from the Yearly Meeting held in Newport, which were alſo read & kindly accepted — Mathew Eſtes, & Caleb Barker, are to draw an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting. and to recommend to Pembroke the raiſing the Money for defraying the Charge of reprinting Robert Barclay's Apology's, agreeable to the Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held in Rocheſter 14th 9th mo 1740
From Pembroke appeared, Abraham Booth, but no Account
From Sandwich, a few friends present, and no Account.
From Rocheſter, a pretty many friends present:

The Epiſtles from Rhode Iſland, & London, were read in this Meeting to comfort & ſatisfaction. —— Nicholas Davis, and Eliſha Wing, are appointed to draw up Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and to remind them of their ſlackneſs in attending this Quarterly Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting in Sandwich. 30. 1 mo 1741.
The monthly Meetings called upon
For Scituate or Pembroke, Abraham Booth, but no Account.
For Rocheſter, Eliſha Wing, but no Account.

The Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting in London, alſo that from the Yearly Meeting in Rhode Iſland, were both read to mutual Comfort, alſo the Epiſtle from Sandwich Monthly meeting was read. —— This Meeting concludes to do what friends at the Yearly Meeting thinks proper, relating to petitioning the general Court respecting allowing friends affirmation being taken in any Caſe. —— This Meeting appoints Daniel Allen, and Humphry Wady, to write an Epiſtle to the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Iſland; and Edward Wing, & Daniel Wing Junr. for Sandwich; Caleb Barker, & Mathew Eſtes, for Scituate; Eliſha Wing, & Stephen Wing, for Rocheſter, are appointed to attend ſaid Yearly Meeting. and Gideon Allen, & Solomon Hoxie, are appointed to write Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Quarterly Meeting.

—— This Meeting concludes that the monthly meeting that hath been held at Yarmouth, in the 3d month shall be held in Sandwich for the future.

At our Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 4th. 5th mo 1741.
For Sandwich, a pretty many preſent
From Pembroke, no friends appeard.

This Meeting concludes that Rocheſter ſhall for time to come hold two monthly Meetings in the Year, the first to be upon the first 6th Day in the 8th month, and the second to be the 6th Day before the Quarterly Meeting at Rocheſter, ſaid Quarterly Meeting to begin the 7th Day after Swanzey Yearly Meeting. —— The yearly Meeting Epiſtle from London was read in this Meeting to good ſatiſfaction. alſo an Account from Sandwich monthly Meeting was read and well reciev'd —— Gideon Allen, & Daniel Allen ſen; are appointed to write to the Monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held in Rocheſter 21st. 4th mo 1741.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings were called upon, and
For Rocheſter, appeard none by appointment.
For Situate, Abraham Booth.
From Sandwich, ſeveral Friends preſent

We reciev'd an Account from Rocheſter monthly Meeting which was well accepted, alſo an Epiſtle from the yearly meeting was read in this Meeting to Satisfaction, and the request of Friends in London observ'd, deſiring some aſsiſtance for a general Stock, and this Meeting appoints our Friends Nicholas Davis, and Eliſha Wing, to draw Epiſtles to each monthly Meeting, recommending the ſame to them, and ſign said Epiſtles in behalf of this Meeting. —— It was alſo agreed upon at this Meeting, that Rocheſter monthly Meeting in the eighth month, may be held the 4th day before the first 6th Day in said Month.

A Copy of a Minute made in Rhode Island yearly Meeting in the 4th mo. 1741.

At the request of the friends of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, it was agreed at this Meeting, that the Quarterly Meeting that was to be held the sixth Day of the Week next after Nantucket Yearly Meeting, in Sandwich, should for time to come be held on the ſeventh day of the ſame Week, and alſo that the Quarterly Meeting in Rocheſter which was to be held the sixth Day after Swanſey Yearly Meeting, should be held on the ſeventh day of the ſame Week

Thomas Richardson Clerk.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 24th 1st mo 1742
The monthly Meetings belonging thereto being call'd upon.
From Pembroke, appeared Mathew Eſtes
For Sandwich, ſeveral Friends present
From Rocheſter, several Friends present.

An Epiſtle from Pembroke was read & well accepted. alſo an Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting was read, wherein they complain of a Cowardly Spirit prevailing, respecting Training and hiring men when they are preſs'd, to go in their Rooms, and deſires the advice of this Meeting how to proceed with such Perſons; and it is the mind of this Meeting that such Perſons, if they dont publickly condemn such actions, should be dealt with as diſorderly walkers. — Edward Wing, & Daniel Allen Junr, from Sandwich, Eliſha Wing, and Nicholas Davis, from Rocheſter, Mathew Estes, and Abraham Booth, from Pembroke, are appointed to attend the enſuing Yearly Meeting at Rhode Iſland. — Daniel Allen & Gideon Allen, are appointed, to write Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and Humphry Wady to write an Epiſtle to the ſaid Yearly Meeting. — This Meeting appoints Edward Wing to recieve the money subscribed to send to England, for Sandwich: and Benjamin Swift to recieve at Falmouth, and to pay it to Edward Wing, in order to be ſent to Rhode Island Meeting. & Mathew Estes is appointed to raiſe what he can at Pembroke, and to ſend it up to said Yearly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 3rd 5th mo 1742.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings being call'd upon,
For Pembroke, appeared Isaac Walker
For Sandwich, Daniel Allen, & Edward Wing.

An Epiſtle from Pembroke monthly Meeting, alſo one from Sandwich monthly Meeting, were read & well reciev'd, alſo an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting in London was read to comfort and ſatiſfaction.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Rocheſter 20th 9th mo 1742.
For Rochester, many friends present.
From Pembroke, no friends present. nor no Account.
From Sandwich, ſeveral friends present.

An Epiſtle from Rocheſter monthly Meeting was read, wherein they give an Account of their Viſitors having visited friends Families, and kindly reciev'd it. And this Meeting concludes there is a deficiency in Sandwich friends in not keeping up their preparative Meetings, and Stephen Wing, and Nicholis Davis, are appointed to draw up an Epiſtle to Sandwich monthly Meeting and to ſignify the same to them.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 27th. 1st mo. 1743.
The monthly Meetings belonging being call'd upon,
From Pembroke, appeared. John Rogers.
For Sandwich, ſeveral Friends present.
From Rocheſter, no Acct..

An Epiſtle from Pembroke was read, and well accepted. alſo an an Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting was read, wherein they inform that they have no Visitors. —Gideon Allen, & Samuel Wing, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and Edward Wing, & Humphry Wady, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting, and to draw an Epiſtle for the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 2d. 5th mo 1743. —
The monthly Meetings belonging to the same being call'd upon.
From Pembroke, appeared Isaac Walker.
For Sandwich, several Friends.

An Epiſtle from Pembroke was read, & well accepted: alſo an Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting was read.—Solomon Hoxsey, and Edward Wing, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the several monthly Meetings, alſo to draw a few lines against Joshua Wickson's diſorderly walking.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 26th. 4th mo 1744.
The monthly Meetings belonging thereto being called upon,
From Pembroke, Mathew Estes, & John Chapman.
For Sandwich, Elisha Wing, & Nicholis Davis.

The Epistle for Sandwich being reciev'd, it was agreed that there should be visitors choſen, to give a better Account at the next Quarterly Meeting.— By an Epiſtle from Pembroke they inform us that they are under ſome difficulty concerning Alice Howard, she being old & not able to help herself. and the monthly Meeting taking the matter into conſideration, appointed mathew Estis to take care of her, and they would pay him for his trouble. The meeting chose two friends to set a price what he should have for his trouble & Charge, and they judged it to be worth but fifteen Shillings a week, and ſaid Estes thinking it too Little appeal'd to this Meeting from their Judgment; The Meeting having some Debates on the Matter; ſaid Estes condeſcended to take fifteen shillings a week for the first Quarter, and from that time forward, this

Meeting doth judge that he ought to have thirty Shillings a week old tenor til this time. The Viſitors of Rochester inform they have viſited most part of friends families, and find things pretty well for the most part, and that where they found things amiſs, they gave advice.— The friends appointed to attend the enſuing Yearly Meeting are, from Sandwich, Eliſha Wing, and Nickolis Davis, for Pembroke, Caleb Barker, & Mathew Eſtes. Edward Wing, & Gideon Allen are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to ſaid yearly Meeting, as alſo to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 1st, 5 mo 1744.
The monthly Meetings belonging thereto being called upon.
For Sandwich, a pretty many present.
For Pembroke, Isaac Walker present.

Reciev'd an Epiſtle from Pembroke, in which they deſire ſome Advice concerning Alice Howard's ſupport: The advice of this Meeting is that they take their turns in keeping her each one at his owne Houſe.— Solomon Hoxsey, & Edward Wing, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the several monthly Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 1st 2d mo. 1745.
For Sandwich appear'd, Daniel Allen, Joseph Sanders & Edward Wing.
For Pembroke, John Chapman, & John Rogers.

This Meeting by an Epiſtle from Pembroke, conſents to have their Quarterly Meeting buſineſs on the 7th day of the Week.— The Epistle from the Yearly Meeting was read & well accepted, alſo an Epistle from the monthly Meeting of Sandwich, was read, & accepted.— Reciev'd an Epiſtle from our Friend Dorcas Easton, which was read, to ſatiſfaction.— Eliſha Wing, Nicholas Davis, & Edward Wing are appointed to attend the enſuing Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island, and to draw Epiſtles as is Uſual; John Chapman & John Rogers are alſo appointed to attend the ſaid Meeting at Rhode Island, & to draw Epistles as is uſual.— Reciev'd an Account from the Viſitors of Sandwich that they were pretty well accepted.— The Complaint of Isaac Walker concerning the Eſtate of Mehetabel Ewer, is referr'd to the next Quarterly Meeting & To adviſe the monthly Meeting of Pembroke to hear Isaac Walkers complaint.

An Epiſtle from Dorcas Eaſton at Rhode Island to friends at Sandwich.

Dear Friends.

It is in my mind to send you these few Lines, with the ſalutation of my love to you, deſiring that truth, peace & Love may be increaſed among you.

Dear Friends, You are often in my mind, with our forefathers & Elders, who have born the Burthen, & heat of the Day, through many exerciſes, & ſufferings, & kept their Habitation in the Truth, and left us a good Example. My Heart hath often been deeply affected in the remembrance of their fervent Prayers & ſupplication to the Lord in the behalf of a ſucceeding Generation, that they may keep up the Teſtimony of truth in all its several Branches. may all that profeſs the ſame live in the poſſeſſion of it. that they may be the good Ground bringing forth the good fruit,

Dear Friends, let not in the Spirit of this World, with any of its ways cuſtoms, or Fashions, but keep in the plain innocent truth, and live in Peace & Love, keeping the Unity of the Spirit with the Bond of Peace, which is the Deſire of Your exerciſed Friend in the truth, in which I take my Leave of you & bid you farewel.

Middletown Rhode Island, Dorcas Eaſton.
26th. 1st mo. 1745.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 31st, 1st mo 1746.

Sandwich Meeting call'd, Daniel Allen, & Gideon Hoxsey present.
Pembroke Meeting call'd, John Rogers, & John Chapman, present.
Receiv'd an Epiſtle from the monthly Meeting of Sandwich, which was read to Satiſfaction. — The requeſt of Rocheſter Quarterly Meeting, for the adding of two monthly Meetings to theirs is let drop for the present. — Nicholas Davis, Jaſhub Wing, Solomon Hoxsey, & Edward Wing, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island, and to draw an Epistle for the same. — The London Yearly Meeting Epiſtle was read to Satisfaction & Comfort.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 5th. 5th mo 1746.

Sandwich Meeting called, Daniel Allen, & Elisha Wing present.
Pembroke Meeting call'd, John Chapman, & John Rogers present.
Receiv'd an Epiſtle from Pembroke monthly Meeting, which was read: and therein they deſire this Meeting to aſsist them with some help for the ſupport of Alice Howard; It not being the Buſineſs of this Meeting

It is the Meetings advice that they lay it before the monthly Meeting. Samuel Wing and Daniel Wing are appointed to draw Epistles to the several monthly Meetings, and recommend to them the things needful.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke 6th. 8th. mo 1746.

For Sandwich appear'd, Stephen Wing.

For Pembroke, John Rogers Jur. & John Chipman.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from the monthly Meetings of Sandwich & Pembroke, which were read & kindly accepted. No Epiſtle from the yearly meeting of Rhode Iland, nor from the Yearly Meeting of London. — This Meeting appoints Edward Estes, & John Rogers Junr. to draw Epiſtles to to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, & to ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Rocheſter 15th. 9th mo 1746.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings call'd upon, but no buſineſs from Scituate, nor Sandwich monthly Meetings. — The newport Yearly Meeting Epiſtle was read & accepted. Alſo an Epiſtle from Rocheſter monthly meeting was read, & well reciev'd. Seth Heller, & Stephen Wing, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 30th. 1st mo. 1747.

Sandwich Meeting being called, Daniel Allen, Edward Wing & Daniel Wing, present. by an Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting we are inform'd, that Meetings are attended, & kept up pretty well, we reciev'd an Epiſtle from pembroke monthly Meeting, wherein they signify that Love & Unity is in a good degree maintained among them. —— The difficulty of Alice Howard is recommended to this Meeting for Conſideration. —— An appeal by Silveſter Barker from a Judgment relating to a difference between her, & her brother Prince, was granted to this Meeting from Pembroke. —— It is the mind of this Meeting that the difficulty of Alice Howard should be recommended in the next Yearly Meeting Epiſtle to Rhode Island for their aſſiſtance. — This Meeting appoints John Howland, James Easton, Isaac Pearce, Samuel Wing & Daniel Allen Junr. to hear & determine the difference between Prince Barker, & his Siſter Silveſter, three of them agreeing to be a final determination of the ſaid Difference: and to make report to this present Meeting, this afternoon by 5 aclock. — This Meeting appoints Gideon Allen, & Cornelius Allen, to write & ſign Epiſtles to the monthly Meetings, belonging to this Meeting, and Daniel Wing to write and ſign an Epiſtle to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Iland enſuing: and Nicholas Davis, Stephen

Wing, Edward Wing, Mathew Eſtes, & John Chapman, to attend ſaid Yearly Meeting. —— The committee appointed to determine the difference between Prince Barker, & his Siſter Silveſter, make report that they confirm the former Judgment, of the Committee appointed by the monthly Meeting of Pembroke to be good.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 4th. 5th mo 1747.
For Sandwich appeared, Nicholas Davis, & Edward Wing.
For Pembroke, John Chapman.

An Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting was read to ſatisfaction, alſo An Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting in London, alſo our Friend Jacob Andreas, from the monthly Meeting of Cheſterfield produced a Certificate; alſo our friends Peter Andreas, and John Woolman's Certificates, from Burlington monthly Meeting: alſo our Friend John Griffith's Certificate from the monthly Meeting held in Derby; alſo our Friend David Farris's Certificate from Newark monthly Meeting, were all read to ſatiſfaction. —— Samuel Wing, & Daniel Wing, are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke 5th 8th mo 1747.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called upon,
For Sandwich, none appear'd.
For Pembroke, appear'd John Chapman, & John Rogers Jur.

Receiv'd an Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting held at Rocheſter; alſo one from Pembroke monthly Meeting, which were read & kindly accepted. Alſo Epiſtle from the yearly Meeting held in Newport. 4th mo last. —— This Meeting appoints Mathew Eſtes, & Caleb Barker, to write an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting, & ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Rocheſter 21st. 9th mo 1747.
The ſeveral Monthly Meetings called upon.
For Rocheſter, appeared Savery Clifton, & Nicholas Davis.
For Sandwich, Joshua Wing, & Edward Wing.

The Epiſtles from Sandwich, and Pembroke, were both read & accepted and Stephen Wing, & Seth Hillar, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 28th. 1st mo. 1748.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called,
For Sandwich appeared, Nicholas Davis, Solomon Hoxsey & Edward Wing
For Pembroke, John Chapman.

Epiſtles from the monthly Meetings of Sandwich, & Pembroke were

were read & well accepted. —— Tis the Advice of this Meeting that that the Certificate of Humphry Wady's, with an Anſwer to their letter that they sent to this monthly Meeting, should both be return'd to the monthly Meeing of Dartmouth. —Gideon Allen, & Samuel Wing, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings & ſign the ſame: and Nicholas Davis, Solomon Hoxſey, Cornelius Allen, & Samuel Wing, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island, and draw an Epiſtle thereto: (the things needfull, and ſign the ſame, and Mathew Estes, and John Chapman, are alſo appointed to attend ſaid Yearly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 2^{d}. 5th m^{o} 1748.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings call'd upon,
For Sandwich, ſeveral Friends appeared,
For Pembroke, none.

It is the advice of this Meeting, that the Cause respecting John Wady shall be laid before the Yearly Meeting by way of Query, by way of Query what should be done in such a Caſe. —Solomon Hoxſey, & Edward Wing, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings of the things needfull, & ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Rocheſter, 19th. 8th m^{o} 1748.
The ſeveral Monthly Meetings called upon.
For Rocheſter appear'd, Samuel Wing, & Ebenezer Shermon
For Sandwich, Joshob Wing, & Edward Wing.
For Pembroke, Caleb Barker & John Rogers.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from Rocheſter, and Pembroke monthly monthly Meetings, which were read, & accepted, the London Epiſtle was alſo read to good ſatiſfaction. — Seth Hiller is appointed to draw Epiſtles to the several monthly Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich, 27th. 1st m^{o} 1749.
The ſeverall monthly Meetings called upon
A pretty many friends appeard.

Epiſtles from Sandwich & pembroke Monthly Meetings were read and Accepted. Gideon Allen, & Samuel Wing, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, & sign the ſame. and Caleb Barker, Mathew Eſtes, Nicholas Davis, Joshob Wing, Edward Wing, & Cornelius Allen, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting at Newport, and to draw & ſign an Epiſtle thereto.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 7th. 5th m^{o} 1749.
For Sandwich appear'd, Joshob Wing, and Stephen Wing.
Gideon Allen, & Samuel Wing, are appointed to draw Epiſtles

To the ſeveral monthly Meetings, & ſign the ſame. Abraham Farrington's Certificate from Burlington monthly Meeting, and John Sykes's Certificate from Cheſterfield monthly Meeting, were both read in this Meeting & well accepted.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Rocheſter 18th. 8mo 1749.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called upon.
For Rocheſter appeared Eliſha Wing, and Savery Clifton.
For Pembroke, John Rogers, & John Chapman.

The Epiſtles from Sandwich, & Pembroke monthly Meetings were read & accepted; alſo the London Yearly Epiſtle was read to ſatiſfaction & Comfort. —— This Quarterly Meeting at Rocheſter is for the future to begin at the eleventh Hour. Stephen Wing, & John Mendal, are appointed to draw & ſign Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich, 26th. 1st mo 1750.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings call'd upon, and a pretty many friends preſent.

The viſiters of Rocheſter give in their Acct that they have viſited Friends families, and find in ſome families a declenſion from the ancient Teſtimony, but we hope there is a remnant that ſtands faithful for the Truth. —— We reciev'd an Epiſtle from Pembroke monthly Meeting, which was read, & accepted. alſo reciev'd the London Epiſtle, which was read in this Meeting to good ſatiſfaction Nicholas Davis, Joshob Wing, Edward Wing, Caleb Barker, & John Chapman, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting at Newport, and Samuel Wing & Daniel Wing are appointed to draw & ſign Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 30th. 4th mo 1750.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called upon, and a pretty many Friends preſent.

Reciev'd an Epiſtle from the monthly Meetting of Sandwich which was read to ſatiſfaction. —— This Meeting appoints that the monthly Meeting that is to be kept in the 5th mo ſhall hereafter be kept the 6th Day before the Quarterly Meeting. — this Meeting appoints that the monthly Meeting that is to be kept in the 9th mo in Rocheſter, is hereafter to be kept the 6th Day before the Quarterly Meeting — Samuel Wing, and Daniel Allen, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Rocheſter 17th 9th mo 1750
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called upon.
For Rocheſter appear'd, Eliſha Wing, Nicholas Davis, & Stephen Wing
For Pembroke, none appear'd.

An Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting, and one from New-port yearly Meeting, were both read, & well accepted. —— Seth Hiller, & Benjamin Wing, are appointed to draw & ſign Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 1st 2nd mo 1751.
The ſeveral Monthly Meetings called upon,
For Sandwich, appear'd Nicholas Davis, Joshua Wing,
Edward Wing, & Shubael Barlow.
For Pembroke, Mathew Eſtes, & John Rogers.

This Meeting hath concluded to have 80 Books called Robert Barclay's Catachizm's — this Meeting reciev'd an Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting, which was read & accepted. alſo the London Epistle was read to ſatiſfaction. —— the Friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting at Newport are Nicholas Davis, Caleb Barker, Mathew Eſtes, Shubael Barlow, Roger Brayley, & Samuel Wing. and Edward Wing, & Daniel Wing, are appointed to draw an Epistle to the ſaid yearly Meeting. and Gideon Allen, & Cornelius Allen, are appointed to write and ſign Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings. —— The Books are to be bound, and Sandwich intends to take 40. Pembroke 30, & Rocheſter 40.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 6th 5th mo 1751.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called upon.
For Sandwich appear'd, Nicholas Davis, Edward Wing, & Cornelius Allen
For Pembroke, John Rogers.

Epiſtles from the monthly Meetings of Sandwich & Pembroke were recieved, read, & accepted. —— Cornelius Allen, & Daniel Allen, are appointed to draw & Sign Epiſtles to the ſeveral Monthly Meetings, of the things needful.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Rocheſter 16th 9th mo 1751.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called upon, for Rocheſter ſeveral Friends present, no Account from Pembroke, Reciev'd an Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting, alſo one from Newport Yearly Meeting, which were read to good ſatiſfaction. In which Yearly Meeting Epiſtle is inſerted, that their Stock in England is almoſt expended, and that they deſire the Chriſtian Charity towards

ſupplying the Stock again, which is recommended to the ſeveral monthly Meetings. — Nicholas Davis, & Nathan Davis, are appointed to draw & ſign Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 30th. 3rd mo. 1752.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called upon.
For Sandwich appeared, Nicholas Davis, Edward Wing & Cornelius
For Pembroke, John Rogers, and John Chapman. (Allen
Reciev'd Epiſtles from Sandwich, & Pembroke monthly Meetings, which were read to Satiſfaction. — The friends appointed to attend the enſuing Yearly Meeting, are, Nicholas Davis, Caleb Barker, Joſeph Wing, John Rogers, & Samuel Wing. — This Meeting is adjourn'd to the 2d. 4th Day of the 5th mo enſuing.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich by adjournment from 30th. 3rd mo to this 4th. 5th mo. 1752. — Agreeable to the Yearly Meeting Epiſtle, this Meeting has collected £30.1.2½. — This Meeting adjourns to the 1st. 6th Day of the 6th mo after the Yearly Meeting is over.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich, by adjournment from 30th. 3rd mo. 1752. to this 5th. 6th mo 1752. — Reciev'd from the monthly Meeting the ſum of £83.5.8. in Rhode Iſland Mony, at £3 a Dollar — Edward Wing, Samuel Wing, & Daniel Wing are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to the next Yearly Meeting at Newport, and ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 4th. 7th mo 1752.
The ſeveral Monthly Meetings called upon,
For Sandwich, the Repreſentatives all preſent.
For Pembroke, John Chapman, preſent.
Reciev'd Epiſtles, from Sandwich, & Pembroke monthly Meetings, which were read & accepted. — Samuel Wing & Daniel Wing are appointed to draw & ſign Epiſtles to the monthly Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Rocheſter 18th. 11th mo 1752.
The ſeveral Quarterly Meetings called upon,
For Rocheſter, a pretty many friends preſent.
Epiſtles from Sandwich & Pembroke monthly Meetings, alſo an Epiſtle from Newport Yearly Meeting, were reciev'd and read & kindly accepted. — The London printed Epiſtle, and alſo a written one from thence were both read to good Satiſfaction. — John Mendal, & Benjamin Wing, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, & to ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 26.th 3.d mo 1753
For. The ſeveral monthly meetings belonging to this Meeting, the Repreſentatives are as followeth.

For Sandwich, Nicholas Davis, Solomon Hoxſey, & Edward Wing.
For Pembroke John Chapman, & John Rogers.

Epiſtles from the monthly Meetings of Sandwich & Pembroke were reciev'd & read to Satiſfaction. — The Friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting next to be held at Newport are; Nicholas Davis, & Shubael Jones. and John Chapman, Edward Wing, & Samuel Wing, are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to ſaid Yearly Meeting, & alſo to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, & ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich held at Rocheſter, the 17.th 11.mo 1753.

The ſeveral Monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting being called, the Repreſentatives are as followeth.

For Sandwich, Joſhua Wing, & John Mendel.
For Pembroke Mathew Eſtes.

The Epistles from Sandwich & Pembroke were read to Satiſfaction. Reciev'd an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting in Newport, which was read to Satisfaction, and which informs that the Yearly Meeting of Greenwich is to be held for the future on the laſt 1st day in the fifth Month; and the 7th day before at Warwick. — We alſo reciev'd an Epistle from London, which was read to Satisfaction. Mathew Eſtes and Benjamin Wing, are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to Sandwich and Pembroke monthly Meetings, & ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 6th 7th mo 1754.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting being called upon, the repreſentatives are as followeth.

For Sandwich, Samuel Wing, & Daniel Wing
For Pembroke, John Rogers preſent.

Reciev'd an Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting, which was read to Satiſfaction. alſo reciev'd an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting of London, which was likewiſe read to Satiſfaction. — Daniel Allen, and Joſhua Wing, are appointed to Draw Epistles to Sandwich and Pembroke, and ſign the ſame. — Pembroke Quarterly Meeting have reciev'd their part of a certain parcel of Books from London, to the ſeveral Quarterly Meeting in New England.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich held at Rocheſter 16th. 11th. mo. 1754.

The ſeveral Monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting called upon, & the repreſentatives are as followeth:

For Sandwich, Edward Wing, & Samuel Wing.
Pembroke; Caleb Barker & John Chapman.

The Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, were read to ſatisfaction: and Nathan Davis and Timothy Davis are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, and to ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich the 31st. 3d. mo. 1755.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting called upon, the Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth.

For Sandwich. Nicholas Davis. Edward Wing. Cornelius
Allen, Joseph Hoxie, & Samuel Wing.
Pembroke. Caleb Barker. John Rogers.

An Epiſtle from the monthly Meeting of Sandwich, as alſo one from the monthly Meeting of Pembroke, were recieved and Read to ſatiſfaction.

The friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting, are Caleb Barker, Edward Wing, Timothy Davis, Samuel Wing, Daniel Allen, Cornelious Allen. And Daniel Allen is appointed to draw an Epiſtle to ſaid Yearly Meeting, and ſign the ſame. And Samuel Wing, and Daniel Allen, are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to each Monthly Meeting, of the things needful, and ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich, 5th. 7th. mo 1755.

The ſeveral monthly Monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting called upon, the Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth.

For Sandwich. Edward Wing Timothy Davis, Cornelious
Allen, & Shubael Jones.
Pembroke; John Chapman.

Recieved an Epiſtle from each of the monthly Meetings of Sandwich, & Pembroke: alſo the Yearly Meeting Epiſtle from London Dated 1754. alſo an Epiſtle, from the Yearly Meeting on Rhode Island. all which were read to ſatiſfaction, alſo the Certificates of our well eſteemed Friends Samuel Fothergil & William Logan, were likewiſe read to ſatiſfaction. alſo reciev'd a ſet of Queries, which are recommended to the ſeveral Monthly Meetings, alſo to the ſeveral preparative Meetings, to be anſwered once in three Months.

Samuel Wing, & Daniel Allen, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, of the things needfull & ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich, held at Rocheſter, the 15th. 11th. mo 1755.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting called upon, the repreſentatives are as followeth.

for {Sandwich, Edward Wing, & Shubael Jones.
{Pembroke, John Rogers.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting which were read to ſatiſfaction, and by the Epiſtle from Pembroke we are informed, that they have a deſire that the Quarterly Meeting which is held there be for the future held on the 3d. & 6th. days of the 10th. mo, the conſideration whereof is refer'd to the conſideration of the next Quarterly Meeting.

The Queries were read, but not ſo perfectly anſwer'd as the nature of the thing requires, Pembroke Meeting repreſentative not being in a capacity to make Anſwers &c.

This Meeting being weightily concern'd in the caſe do deſire the monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, to be particularly careful on the Account for the future.

Nathan Davis, & Timothy Davis, are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting belonging to this Meeting, & ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting at Sandwich 29th. 3d. mo 1756.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting being called upon the Representatives are as followeth.

for {Sandwich, Edward Wing, Cornelius Allen, Benjam. Swift Jr.
{David Bowerman, & Timothy Davis. Present
{Pembroke, John Ragers; & Lemuel Dillingham.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from Sandwich & Pembroke Monthly Meetings, which were read to ſatiſfaction

Sandwich Meeting informs that there hath been taken away from Rehoboam Sherman, & Nicholas Davis, on the Acct. of being impreſs'd, £26.13.4 lawful Money.

Pembrok Meeting informs that there is due to John Rogers for the ſupport of poor Friends £ 312,,4,,9.

Receiv'd a Teſtimony concerning our worthy Friend Nicholas Davis, which is ordered to be recorded.

Cornelius Allen, Zaccheus Wing, Nathan Davis, Timothy Davis, & John Rogers, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting, and to draw & ſign an Epiſtle to ſaid Meeting. and Samuel Wing, & Daniel Wing, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, & ſign the ſame.

The ſufferings of Friends on account of impriſonment, and for not keeping Arms sufficient to anſwer the Law, amounts to £ 35.5,,8.

This Meeting ſubſcribeth £ 11.17.3. to John Rogers, for ſupporting an ancient Friend.

This Meeting adjourns to the monthly Meeting in the 5th month after the Meeting is over.

From our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Cheſterfield in Burlington County, in Weſt Jersey, 24th 11th mo 1755.

To Friends and Brethren at the Quarterly & monthly Meetings at Sandwich in New England.

Dear Friends

Our Worthy friend Nicholas Davis from your parts, having lately made a general visit to us, in the work of the Goſpel miniſtry; ſince which we have heard that on his return homeward, it pleaſed the Lord to remove him from this Life.

We eſteemed him an able and faithful Miniſter, & Soldier of Jeſus Chriſt, whoſe Converſation was ſavory, and of good report, that his Labours amongſt us was very acceptable. We ſympathize with the Widow & Children, & with you among whom he dwelt.

Though we as a Society are Numerous, and through the favour of divine providence enjoy the free exerciſe of our Worſhip, yet such whoſe Souls are United in the Covenant of Life, and are engag'd at heart that the Honour & Dignity of the Truth may be ſupported amongſt us, are too few; that when the God of the ſpirits of all Fleſh sees meet to remove his faithful ones from the Toils of this Life, to a more quiet Habitation, we are deeply ſenſible of the loſs ſuſtain'd, as in the preſent Caſe we think it verified: It is however a moſt comfortable Reflection, that the Father of Mercies fails not: his Love and the influence of his Spirit is the ſame in all Ages, which now as of old, entring into holy Souls, makes them friends of God, and of Prophets.

And dear beloved friends, let us who yet remain in mutability, have our Loyns girt about, and our Lights burning, feeling diligently after that inward Life and Virtue, which alone gives ſtrength and fortitude to reſist the Spirit of the World in all its workings, and Qualifies even Youth, who walk in uprightneſs, to fill the Seats of the faithful who are gone to rest; then may we hope that the everlaſting arm may be revealed, to continue us a People to his owne Praiſe; that as the faith & Conſtancy of our Anceſtors juſtly animates us to walk in their footſteps; so our Example may be worthy of imitation by Ages yet to come.

In the Love of Christ our Redeemer we affectionately salute you, and Remain Your Friends & Brethren.

Signed in behalf of our ſaid Meeting by.

Barzillai Newbold
Preſerve Brown
William Murfin
Timothy Abbot
Samuel Satterthwaite
Isaac Decow
Michael Newbold
Wm Pancoast
Thomas Wright
Mahlon Wright
Joseph Thorn
Edward Wheatcraft
Anth: Ward
Anthony Sykes
Rob: Smith
Benja Jones

Jos Ridgway
Isaac Horner
John Sykes
Danl Doughty
Wm Lawrie
Benja Kirby
Thomas Middleton
Samuel Emley
Isaac Forman
Amos Wright
Abraham [illegible]
Judah Williams
George Middleton
John Rodman
Peter Yearm
Rich Smith

Benajah Andrews
Nehemiah Andrews
Abraham Farrington
Josiah Foster
Joseph Noble
Josiah White
Daniel Smith
Caleb Haines
Ebez Mott
Joshua Raper
Saml Smith
John Butcher
John Woolman
John Hoskins
Saml Andros
Thomas Wetherill

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 3d. 7th. mo 1756.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting being called upon, the Repreſentatives are as followeth.

For Sandwich. Edward Wing, & Cornelius Allen.

From Pembroke, No Account.

An Epiſtle from the yearly Meeting held in London, 5th. mo 1755: alſo an Epistle from the yearly Meeting of Rhode Iſland dated 6mo 1755, were receiv'd and read to ſatisfaction. Alſo a Certificate from the monthly Meeting of Kendal in the County of weſtmoreland in old England for our friend Thomas Gawthrop, now present in the ſervice of the Miniſtry, was reciev'd and read to good ſatisfaction.

We have receiv'd twelve printed yearly Meeting London Epiſtles, which were recommended to be read in each monthly Meeting belonging to this Meeting

This Meeting is adjourn'd to the Close of the monthly Meeting of next Month

The Meeting being met according to adjournment and the Repreſentatives present.

We reciev'd an Epiſtle from Pembroke monthly Meeting, which was read to ſatiſfaction.

The Queries were read and Anſwered, ſome to ſatiſſfaction, and some otherwiſe

David Bowerman, & Benjamin Swift Junr. are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich held at Rocheſter 20th. 11th. mo 1756.

The ſeveral Monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting called, the Repreſentatives are as followeth.

For { Sandwich. Edward Wing & Benjamin Swift Junr.
{ Pembroke. John Rogers.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, which were read to good ſatiſſfaction.

The Queries were read and anſwered, some to ſatisfaction and ſome not; and where there is a ſhortneſs tis deſired there may be an Amendment. and there being no Anſwers to the Queries from Pembroke, they are deſir'd not to fail on that account for the future.

Samuel Bowerman & Benjamin Swift Jr. are to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral Monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting & ſign the ſame.

Ralph Chapman hath exhibited a complaint to this Meeting againſt the monthly Meeting of Pembroke, in which he informs that they have proceeded illegally with him, on account of ſome unhappy expreſsions, which he hath dropt and Endeavoured erroniouſly to maintain, which ſince he hath condemn'd: wherefore ſaid monthly Meeting are deſir'd to attend the next Quarterly Meeting, there to anſwer to ſaid complaint; to which Meeting the Caſe is referr'd.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich, 28th 3d mo 1757.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting called upon, the Repreſentatives are as followeth.

For { Sandwich, Cornelius Allen, and Edward Wing. present
Pembroke, Caleb Barker, John Dillingham, John Rogers and
William Howland, Preſent

Reciev'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, which were read to ſatiſfaction.

Edward Wing, Butler Wing, Nathan Davis, John Shearman and David Bowerman, are appointed a Committee to hear & determine the Caſe between the Monthly Meeting of Pembroke, and Ralph Chapman, concerning a complaint ſaid Chapman exhibited againſt the ſaid Meeting. which Committee are to make report of their doings thereon to this Meeting.

The friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting next to be held on Rhode Island are; Timothy Davis, Samuel Wing, Benjamin Swift Junr & Caleb Barker, who are to Draw an Epiſtle to ſaid Meeting and ſign the ſame.

The Queries were read & anſwered, ſome to ſatiſfaction and ſome not so well as could be deſired.

This Meeting adjourns to the 5th hour after noon.

The Meeting being met according to adjournment, the Committee make report that they find that the monthly Meeting of Pembroke proceeded not ſo regularly with Ralph Chapman as they ought to have done, according to the good order uſed among Friends.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 2d 1st mo. 1757.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting called upon, the repreſentatives are as followeth.

For { Sandwich, Joshua Wing, & Benjamin Swift Junr. present
Pembroke, neither Representative, nor Account

Receiv'd an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Iſland, also one from the monthly Meeting of Sandwich, which were read to ſatisfaction.

Sandwich Friends requeſt to have their monthly Meeting which is uſually held in the 4th month, to be altered to the 3d mo. at the time of their Yearly Meeting, on the 7th Day of the Week after the Meeting of Worship, which is approv'd of by this Meeting.

John Chapman hath entered a Complaint against the monthly Meeting of Pembroke, the Conſideration whereof is refer'd to the next Quarterly Meeting

John Allen is appointed to take care of, & keep all the papers belonging to the monthly & Quarterly Meetings

Cornelius Allen, Gideon Allen, & John Allen, are appointed to draw an Epistle to Pembroke monthly Meeting, and to tranſcribe the aforeſaid Complaint, and alſo to draw an Epiſtle to Sandwich monthly Meeting, and alſo to draw a Certificate for Kezia Wood, and another for Patience Estes, and bring them to the adjournment of this Meeting. which is adjourn'd to tomorrow after the Meeting of Worſhip.

The Meeting being met according to Adjournment, the frds. who were appointed to draw the Epiſtles, & Certificates, brought them which were read & Signed.

The Queries were read & anſwered. ſome to ſatisfaction & ſome otherwiſe.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich, held at Rocheſter 19th. 11th. mo. 1757.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting called upon, and their Representatives are as followeth.

For { Sandwich, William Gifford, Nathan Davis, & Benjamin Swift Jr.
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers. present.

The Queries read & anſwered, ſome to ſatiſfaction, and ſome otherwiſe, and where there is a Deficiency, friends that are the cauſe of it, are deſired to endeavour to conduct themſelves so that they may be anſwer'd more clear for the future.

No Anſwer to the Queries from Pembroke, only an Epiſtle.

Nathan Davis, and Daniel Wing, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, & ſign the ſame.

The Friends of Pembroke monthly Meeting are deſired not to fail of ſending Anſwers to the Queries for the future.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 27th 3rd mo 1758.

The Monthly Meetings called upon, the repreſentatives are as follows.

For { Sandwich, Edward Wing, Cornelius Allen, Samuel Wing
{ Pembroke, John Rogers, & Abraham Chapman, present.

Receiv'd Epiſtles from the monthly Meetings of Sandwich and Pembroke, which were read, & accepted.

It is the mind of this Meeting to requeſt of the Yearly Meeting that there be a minute made, requeſting Friends not to make Warlike Inſtruments.

The Queries were read & anſwered, ſome to ſatiſſfaction & ſome otherwiſe.

We are Inform'd that our Viſitors have made a general Viſit in friends families, and that they were kindly reciev'd, for the most part finding an openneſs to receive Inſtruction among ſome; eſpecially the younger ſort.

Reciev'd an Account of the ſufferings of Joseph Wing, and Melatiah Gifford of Falmouth, for not attending on a military Muſter.

The friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting are John Rogers, Timothy Davis, Nathan Davis, Benjamin Swift Jr and Daniel Wing, and Samuel Wing, are appointed to draw an Account to the Yearly Meeting of things rec.d and to ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Sandwich 1st 7th mo 1758.

The monthly Meetings called upon, the Repreſentatives are as followeth.

For { Sandwich, Cornelius Allen, Nathan Davis, Samuel Wing, and Ebenezer Allen . . Present.
{ Pembroke, John Rogers, & Mathew Estes, present.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from the monthly Meetings of Sandwich & Pembroke, which were read & accepted.

The Caſe of John Chapman's appeal is refer'd to the next Quarterly Meeting.

A Certificate from the monthly Meeting of Hitchin in Hertford Shire, in old England, dated 30th 12 mo in behalf of our friend

Samuel Spavold recommending him & his Miniſtry to be in good Unity; likewiſe from the Quarterly Meeting of Hartford 3d. 1st mo 1757. alſo one from the morning Meeting of Miniſters & Elders in London ſignifying the ſame thing. We alſo reciev'd a Certificate in his behalf from the monthly Meeting of Friends at Fluſhing dated 1st. 6th. mo 1758. ſignifying their Unity with him as a Miniſter & Elder.

Samuel Wing, Ebenezer Allen, & Daniel Wing, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Rocheſter 13th. 11th. mo, 1758.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting call'd the Repreſentatives are as followeth.

For { Sandwich, Ebenezer Allen, & Nathan Davis. preſent.
Pembroke, John Rogers. preſent.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from Sandwich & Pembroke, containing Anſwers to the Queries, ſome whereof are to ſatiſfaction, and ſome not ſo well as could be deſir'd; wherefore friends care is ſtill deſired for an Amendment.

Reciev'd an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Iſland which was read to ſatiſfaction.

The monthly Meeting of Sandwich informs, that the friends living in a Village commonly known by the name of the Long plain have requested to build a meeting houſe among them, and this Meeting having duly considered thereof, do give them leave to build one on theſe Conditions; that they hold meetings there only every other first day from the Quarterly Meetings held at Rocheſter to the Yearly Meeting of Sandwich, unleſs it be Meetings appointed by travelling Friends: and alſo two week day Meetings in every Month and no more, until further liberty from our Quarterly, or from the Yearly Meeting.

Nathan Davis, and John Shearman, are appointed to overſee the building the ſaid Houſe, and to set a price on every thing that is given, as well for the work as other neceſſaries to build said Houſe by theſe that have Subſcribed, and they are to take care that ſaid Houſe be finish'd in twelve months from this present time.

John Rogers, and Timothy Davis, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, and ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 26th 3rd mo 1759
The ſeveral Quarterly Meetings hereunto belonging being call'd upon, whoſe Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth viz.

For Sandwich, Nathan Davis Stephen Bowerman Jun.r and Ebenezer Allen.
For Pembroke, Thomas Rogers, and John Dillingham

Seth Hilyard, Stephen Bowerman, Nathan Davis, Daniel Wing, Joseph Wing and Daniel Wing of Rocheſter, are appointed a Committee to hear & determine a caſe of an Appeal from the Judgment of the monthly Meeting of Pembroke, betwixt John Rogers, & Mathew Eſtes, and make report to this Meeting.

The Queries were read, and Anſwered, ſome to ſatiſfaction & ſome otherwiſe.

Samuel Wing, & Ebenezer Allen, are appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral Monthly Meetings, and ſign the ſame in behalf of this Meeting.

Edward Wing, Cornelius Allen, & Ebenezer Allen are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Iſland, alſo to attend ſaid Yearly Meeting with Timothy Davis, and Thomas Rogers.

This Meeting hath given Abraham Booth Chapman a Certificate of his Unity with Friends.

This Meeting Adjourns to 3, o'clock this Afternoon.

Friends being met according to adjournment, the foregoing Committee reports, that they think the Meeting had no right of Action in the caſe, and therefore do reverſe the Judgment of the monthly Meeting. The report of ſaid committee is accepted.

John Rogers is appointed Clerk of the Quarterly Meeting of Pembroke, and alſo to keep the Book of Records.

A brief Account of the Life and Death of our worthy Friend Nicholas Davis.

He was born at Sandwich 28th 8th mo 1690. but lived the biggeſt part of his Days in Dartmouth, & Rocheſter. He came forth with a living Teſtimony in the Miniſtry before he was twenty years old, in which he grew very faſt, and ſoon became an able skilful Miniſter of the Goſpel; dividing the word of Truth aright. He was something ſevere againſt obſtinate offenders, but to those under affliction his words were as an healing Balſom, and his Speech as the dew of Heaven, on the tender Graſs. He ſtrove to live in Peace with all Men, and was generally well beloved by those with whom he was acquainted, eſpecially his Neighbours & more Eſpecially his Friends of the same Denomination. He travel'd pretty much in viſiting his friends in NewEngland and was Serviceable in building them up in the most holy faith; and inſtrumental in convincing some, of the bleſſed Truth. He was a zealous attender of both first and week day Meetings, always obſerving to be there in good ſeaſon; a great lover of honest hearted Friends, but always abhor'd Hypocrisy in any. He travel'd twice into the Weſtern parts of North America in the Service of Truth, once as far as north Carolina, where he made a general visit among Friends, and his Service according to the best account we have was very well accepted. Before he proceeded on his last Journey into them parts, we well remember he appear'd to be quite reſign'd, and given up to the Will of God, and was weaned very much from the things of this World. He took with him for his Companion, his worthy Friend & Kinsman Adam Mott; they were kindly receiv'd by Friends wherever they came, and their Service very kindly accepted by the honest hearted, as appears by the Certificates from several monthly Meetings in those parts where they travelled as well as by a Teſtimony from the Quarterly Meeting of Chesterfield in Burlington County, in west Jersey. After they had visited friends in Penſilvania, and the adjacent parts, they proceeded on their journey for Oblong, where they arrived ſafe, and visited ſeveral Meetings thereabouts, where he was then taken ſick of a Fever at the Houſe of William Ruſsel: His diſtemper increaſed very faſt, ſeveral Physicians were improved but to no purpose, it ſeem'd the Service the Lord had for him was done, and that he deſign'd to remove him out of a troubleſome world into one free from the disquietudes that attends this, where there is perfect Peace for ever more. While he had the free Exerciſe of his underſtanding he often would be ſpeaking of the concern he had for the proſperity of truth. He bore his pain with great Patience and reſignation to his laſt moment. In a Letter he wrote to his wife in his last ſickneſs, we find something to this effect (viz) I feel a degree of willingneſs to be ſubmiſsive to the Will of God.

whether in Life or Death, and do much deſire that thou may be made patient, and submiſsive to his will. and greatly desire thou may in an especial manner be very careful towards the Education of our Children, to bring them up in the Nurture and Admonition of the Lord, that they may be kept out of rude misconducting unchristian like young Peoples company. endeavouring at suitable times to inſtil into their minds Principles of Patience, temperence, meekneſs, & Sobriety, that they may be made fit veſsels for the holiest to dwell in. In another Letter wrote in the time of his ſickneſs to his Children, we find these words (viz) I hereby let you know, that as I am doubtful whether I shall ever see you more, there rests ſomething on my mind to write to you by way of advice, which I greatly deſire may not by you be forgotten, which is, that as you have a tender & affectionate Mother, who is deſirous you may do well, you would therefore dear Children be obedient to her in all things, in the Lord, and ſubmit to her counſel, and advice, at all times, in love to her: and alſo endeavour to live in love and Peace one with another at all times. and let not any Contentions, or hard thoughts ariſe one againſt another by any means, but be helpful One to another. And be exceeding careful to attend week day Meetings, and encourage others alſo. and endeavour to let all things be in good order in the Church. He would sometimes in his Sickneſs, which was but short, desire those about him to be ſtil & quiet, that they might have a time to wait on the Lord in ſilence: And he would sometimes open his Mouth in prayer, & Supplication in a powerful manner, and ſometimes give thoſe that ſtood by a word of exhortation & Advice, in the life & Power.

Thus he finished his courſe, and departed this Life at Oblong, at the Houſe of William Ruſsell, the 7th 10th mo 1755. in the 65th Year of his age, and we believe hath entered into that Region of Light, where the weary are at rest; he bore a publick Teſtimony upwards of fourty six years, and hath left behind him an unblemiſhed Character.

Signed in and on behalf of our Quarterly Meeting
at Sandwich, 30th 3rd mo 1761.

(By) Ebenezer Allen Clerk

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 30th 6th mo 1759
Sandwich monthly Meeting call'd, and the Representatives are as followeth,

Edward Wing, Daniel Wing, Nathan Davis, Benjamin Swift Jur. John Allen, & Ebenezer Allen. present
Pembroke monthly Meeting called.

John Rogers, & Abraham Booth Chapman, present

Receiv'd a printed, as alſo a written Epiſtle from London, dated 1758. alſo one from the Yearly Meeting at Burlington; dated 1758. alſo one from the Yearly Meeting at Long Island. dated 1759. alſo one from our Yearly Meeting at Newport on Rhode Island; which were read in this Meeting to good ſatiſfaction. Copies of which is ordered to be tranſcribed, by the Clerk, & sent down to each monthly Meeting belonging to this Quarter, with the printed Epiſtle from London.

The friends that are appointed to attend the yearly Meeting report that they all attended except Edward Wing & Cornelius Allen; and inform that the affair of the Meeting in general was to ſatisfaction. The two above mentiond friends who did not attend, have given ſatiſfactory reaſons for their neglect therein; It is agreed that the above method be obſerved in each Quarterly & monthly Meetings for the future.

Our friend John Story being at this Meeting on a religious Viſit, produced a Certificate from the monthly Meeting of Nottingham in old England; dated 3rd mo 1758, and alſo one from the Quarterly Meeting of Mansfield, dated 3rd mo 1758, and likewiſe the Concurrence of the second days morning Meeting of Miniſters, & Elders in London, dated 7th mo 1758.

Our Friend Benajah Andros, Companion to our Friend John Storer also produced a Certificate from Burlington in new Jerſey, dated 5th mo 1759.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke 8th 10th mo 1759. The Representatives called on,
For Sandwich appear'd John Mendel, Nathan Davis, & Daniel Wing,
For Pembroke John Rogers, & William Howland.

Accounts brought in from each monthly Meeting to ſatiſfaction, ſaving in the Anſwers receiv'd to the ſ

Queries, which tho some were to ſatiſfaction yet others were not so.

There is no Report brought in of visiting Friends, nor concerning making of Wills, which is ſtill under the care of friends.

John Rogers & William Howland, are appointed to draw Accounts to the monthly Meetings and sign the ſame.

Our Friend Isaac Anderſon's Certificate was read in the morning Meeting to ſatiſfaction, Dated 9th. 7th. mo. 1759.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich held at Rocheſter the 17th. 11th. mo. 1759.

The monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting called over, the Repreſentatives are as followeth.

For { Sandwich, Edward Wing, Samuel Wing Benjamin Swift Junr. & Nathan Davis. Present.
{ Pembroke, Thomas Rogers, & Wing Rogers, .. Present.

Receiv'd Epistles from the monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, which were read to ſatisfaction, but not a full account of the names of those Persons in circumſtances neceſsary to make their Wills, from each monthly Meeting, wherefore they are deſired ſtill to do it.

The Queries were read & anſwered, and as they remain ſtill not anſwered clear, Friends care for an Amendment therein is earneſtly deſired,

Edward Wing, & Samuel Wing, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, of the things needful, and sign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 31st. 3d. mo. 1760.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging called whose Repreſentatives present are as followeth.

For { Sandwich. Nathan Davis, Samuel Wing, & Ebenezer Allen.
{ Pembroke. Thomas Rogers, and Abraham Booth Chapman

Receiv'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, which were read to ſatisfaction.

The friends at Rocheſter request to hold their monthly & Quarterly Meetings that are holden there the 11th. mo. may be holden for the future at the Long Plain, the Consideration of which is refer'd to the next Quarterly Meeting.

Our Viſitors from the ſeveral Monthly Meetings report that they have made a pretty general viſit in moſt of friends families, and in general were kindly reciev'd.

The Queries were read in this Meeting and anſwered by the Repreſentatives, ſome of which were clear, and to ſatiſfaction, others not ſo clear as could be deſired, wherefore friends care is ſtill deſired to continue for an Amendment.

The friends that are appointed to attend the yearly Meeting at Newport are, Edward Wing, Cornelius Allen, Timothy Davis Thomas Rogers, and Abraham Booth Chapman.

Samuel Wing, & Ebenezer Allen, are appointed to draw Accounts to ſaid Yearly Meeting, as alſo to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 5th 7mo 1760.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging called, & the Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth.

For { Sandwich Nathan Davis, and Ebenezer Allen.
Rocheſter, John Rogers.

The friends at long Plain requeſt to hold their monthly and Quarterly Meetings that have heretofore been held in Rocheſter in the eleventh month, be held for the future at the long Plain, This Meeting taking the matter into conſideration, do agree that the Quarterly Meeting only be held at the long plain for the Year enſuing, and that the monthly Meeting be continued at Rocheſter.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from Sandwich, & Pembroke monthly Meetings, alſo one from the yearly Meeting at Rhode Iſland, alſo a number of printed ones from Philadelphia, alſo a number of printed ones from the yearly Meeting in London, of each of which one was read in this Meeting to ſatiſfaction, and the Contents thereof recommended to be ſent down to the ſeveral monthly Meetings.

Our worthy Friends John Woolman, & Samuel Eaſtborn, being at this Meeting on a religious Viſit, produced Certificates, the former from Burlington, dated 4th mo 1760. the latter from Buckingham in Penſylvania 4th mo 1760. both of which were read in this Meeting to ſatiſfaction.

The friends at long plain requeſt to have a Meeting in the ſummer Seaſon every firſt day in the afternoon, after, the Meeting at Quiſhnet is over, at their Meeting houſe, the Meeting having conſidered of the matter, do agree that their ſaid requeſt be granted.

The Queries were read, & anſwered by the Repreſentatives, ſome to ſatiſfaction, and many not clear, wherefore Friends are deſired to be under a Labour that they may be anſwered clear, for the future.

Samuel Wing, & Ebenezer Allen, are appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, & ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke 6th. 10th mo. 1760.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings called on, the Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth,

For { Sandwich, Nathan Davis.
{ Pembroke, John Chapman, & John Rogers.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from Philadelphia, Long Island, the monthly Meetings of Sandwich & Pembroke, and a printed one from London, all which were read to ſatiſfaction.

Recieved from Sandwich, fifty four Pounds eighteen ſhillings old Tenor, for the yearly Meeting treaſury at Newport, and for the repairing friends meeting houſe in Boſton, reciev'd from Pembroke three pounds ſixteen ſhillings old Tenor.

This Meeting concludes that the monthly Meeting which is uſually held at Pembroke the 10th. mo. ſhall be held the fourth Day of the week before the Quarterly Meeting.

The Queries were read and anſwered by the Repreſentatives ſome to ſatiſfaction, and ſome otherwiſe, and where a Shortneſs appears there is deſires for an Amendment for the future.

William Howland, & Abraham Booth Chapman, are appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings and to ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich, held at the long Plain, 15th. 11th. mo. 1760. The monthly Meetings called over, the Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth.

For { Sandwich, Samuel Wing, Nathan Davis, & Benjamin Swift Junr
{ Pembroke, John Rogers, & Thomas Rogers.

Reciev'd Anſwers to the Queries, which were read, ſome to ſatiſfaction, and ſome otherwiſe; wherefore tis ſtill deſired that Friends care be continued in that affair.

And whereas the preparative Meeting of Sandwich have omitted ſending Answers to the Queries, they are deſired to be more careful in that reſpect for the future.

The friends of each monthly Meeting are deſired to chooſe a committee to collect the Memorials of the Dying Sayings, as well as remarkable Piety of the Lives, of Such as have deceaſed among them whoſe Lives have been remarkable for Piety, and preſent them to the monthly Meeting to be examined, and then to be brought to the Quarterly Meeting to be examined there, and if it appears proper then to be ſent to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island to be recorded.

Nathan Davis, Benjamin Swift Jun^r & Daniel Wing, are appointed to draw accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, and ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 30th. 3rd mo 1761
The ſeveral monthly Meetings being called, the Repreſentatives are as followeth,

For
Sandwich, Nathan Davis, Samuel Bowerman, & John Allen.
Pembroke, John Rogers, Thomas Rogers, & Abraham Booth Chapman.

Receiv'd from the monthly Meeting of Sandwich a Teſtimoney, concerning our worthy Friend Nicholas Davis, which was read in this Meeting to good ſatisfaction & ſigned.

Receiv'd an Epiſtle from each monthly Meeting, with Anſwers to the Queries, anſwered by the Repreſentatives.

Our Viſitors inform that they have made a pretty general viſit in friends families, which was for the moſt part kindly accepted.

Receiv'd a Number of Books, & Epiſtles from the Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting, one of each of which Epiſtles were read in this Meeting to ſatisfaction

The friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting are, Edward Wing, John Rogers, Timothy Davis, and Nathan Davis, who are alſo to draw an Epiſtle & ſign the ſame.

Ebenezer Allen, & John Allen are appointed to tranſcribe the Teſtimony of our Friend Nicholas Davis, and to send it to Rhode Iſland to be recorded.

Pembroke Friends request to have one Day taken off their Yearly Meeting and it ſeems to be the mind of this Meeting that the ſixth Day of the week be the Day taken off, but ſubmit the whole to the judgment of the Yearly Meeting.

Cornelius Allen, & John Allen are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting, & ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends of Friends held at Sandwich 4th 7th mo 1761 The monthly Meetings called upon, the Representatives are as followeth,

for { Sandwich, Benjamin Swift, and John Allen.
Pembroke. Thomas Rogers, & Joseph Rogers.

The friends at long Plain request to hold the Quarterly Meeting there in the 11th mo which request is granted for the preſent Year.

The friends at Pembroke request that their quarterly Meeting of Buſineſs should be held on the ſeventh Day of the Week after the Meeting of Buſineſs is over, which request is granted.

Recieved four written Epiſtles viz. from London, Burlington new Jersey, and Fluſhing on long Island, alſo one from the yearly Meeting at Rhode Island, also a Number of printed ones from London in 1760, one of which with the written ones were read in this Meeting to good Satiſfaction, as were alſo Epistles from the monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting.

Our Friends Samuel Nottingham, & Henry Stanton being here on a religious Viſit produced Certificates, the former from Tortola Dated 25th 2nd mo 1760, the latter from North Carolina.

This Meeting being informed by the monthly Meetings that there is a number of Friends belonging to Dartmouth monthly Meeting who have a mind to be joyn'd to Sandwich monthly Meeting, of which this Meeting having conſidered doth think it might be well that thoſe friends be ſo joyn'd to Sandwich monthly Meeting, and in order to accomodate the matter, this Meeting appoints our friends Timothy Davis, and Nathan Davis to inform Dartmouth monthly Meeting of the mind of this Meeting on that Account.

The Queries were read in this Meeting and anſwered by the Representatives, some to ſatiſfaction, and some not ſo well as could be deſired.

Thomas Rogers is appointed to procure one Book of diſcipline tranſcrib'd for the Quarterly Meeting.

John Allen, and Ebenezer Allen, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and to tranſcribe the Epiſtles from the ſeveral yearly Meetings and ſend down with the Epiſtles to the several monthly Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke 3d. 10th mo 1761

The ſeveral Quarterly Meetings called on, the Representatives present are as followeth.

For { Sandwich, Nathan Davis, & Timothy Davis.
Pembroke John Rogers, & John Rogers Jur.

The Queries were read & anſwered, some to ſatisfaction, & ſome otherwise.

John Rogers, & William Howland, are appointed, to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, & ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at the long Plain 21st. 11th mo 1761.

The ſeveral Monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, called over, & the Repreſentatives are as followeth,

For { Sandwich, Cornelius Allen, Samuel Wing and Nathan Davis.
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers

This Meeting ſees a neceſsity that that there be, between this and our next quarterly Meeting, eighteen Dollars raiſed for the uſe of Friends, viz, ten for our yearly Meeting at Rhode Island; and eight to pay for tranſcribing the Book of Diſcipline: and it is recommended from this Meeting that Sandwich monthly Meeting do raiſe fifteen Dollars, and Pembroke three, and bring to our next Quaterly Meeting.

Our eſteemed Friend Robert Wyllis, presented his Certificate, from Wood Bridge, dated 16th. 7th mo 1761, to this Meeting, which was read herein to good Satisfaction.

It being uncertain where the boundary's are between Rhode Island, & Sandwich quarterly Meeting's, this Meeting appoints Nathan Davis, Butler Wing, Daniel Wing, & Timothy Davis, a Committee to confer with Rhode Island monthly Meeting, about ſetling ſaid Boundarys.

The Queries were read, and anſwered in this Meeting, ſome to ſatisfaction, and ſome otherwiſe, and where things are amiſs friends care is earneſtly deſired, for an amendment.

Daniel Wing & Abraham Davis, are appointed to draw Accounts to the several monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, and ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 25th 3d mo. 1762.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, call'd whoſe Repreſentatives present are as followeth.

For { Sandwich, Samuel Wing, & Ebenezer Allen.
Pembroke, John Rogers, & Abraham Booth Chapman.

This Meeting hath raiſed Thirty Pounds & nine Shillings for the uſe of the yearly Meeting, and to pay for tranſcribing the Book of Diſcipline.

The Queries were read & anſwered by the Representatives, ſome of which were clear, & satiſfactory, others, not so well as could be deſired: and where things appear to be out of order, friend's care for an amendment is earneſtly deſired.

Reciev'd a Teſtimoney concerning our deceaſed Friend Hannah Bowerman, which was read in this Meeting, and Timothy Davis and Daniel Wing, are appointed to examine ſaid Teſtimony & bring to the next monthly Meeting.

Zaccheus Wing, John Allen, and Ebenezer Allen, are appointed to draw an Account to the yearly Meeting, and to ſign the ſame; and likewise to rectify the Accounts of friends ſufferings, & bring to the Quarterly Meeting.

Nathan Davis, John Rogers, Benjamin Swift Jun^{r}, Timothy Davis, and Ebenezer Allen, are appointed to attend the yearly Meeting at Rhode Island.

Samuel Wing & Daniel Wing, are appointed to draw accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, and to ſign the ſame.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to the first 6th day of the 5th mo. after the monthly Meeting is over.

The 6th 5th mo. 1762. Friends being met according to Adjournment

The friends that were appointed to examine the Teſtimoney concerning our friend Hannah Bowerman, have examined it, and brought it to this Meeting, which is ordered to be sent to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode-Island.

The friends appointed to examine & rectify the accounts of friends ſufferings, have ſo done & brought it to this Meeting which was read, and ordered to be ſent to the yearly Meeting at Rhode Island.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 3d 7th m 1762

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging called, & the Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth.

For { Sandwich. Cornelius Allen, Nathan Davis, and
Benjamin Swift Jun.
Pembroke. John Rogers, & Thomas Rogers.

Reciev'd a number of printed Epiſtles & one written one from the Yearly Meeting of London dated 5 mo 1761: alſo one from Philadelphia dated 9th mo 1761; alſo one from Fluſhing dated 5th mo 1762, and one from the yearly meeting of Rhode Island dated 6th mo 1762 which were read in this Meeting to general ſatisfaction.

We alſo reciev'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, with anſwers to the Queries, and as there appears ſome deficiencies, & diſorders, Friends care for an Amendment is deſired.

Our Friend Robert Proud from old England being at this Meeting on a religious visit, produced a Certificate from the monthly Meeting of Thirſk in Yorkshire, dated 3d mo 1761. alſo one of the Concurrence of the yearly Meeting of miniſters & Elders held in London 5 mo 1761. Likewiſe our frien Mathew Franklin his companion, from Long Island, produced a Certificate dated Fluſhing 6th mo 1762. alſo our friends Hannah Harris, & Eliſabeth Wilkinſon being likewiſe at this Meeting on a religious Viſit, produced Certificates; the former from the monthly Meeting of Pardſhaw Hall dated 3d mo 1761 as alſo of the concurrence of the quarterly Meeting of Carliſle in Cumberland. alſo of the concurrence of the morning Meeting of Miniſters & Elders in London dated 7th mo 1761. the Latter from the Meetings aforeſaid, dated 6th mo 1761.

The aforeſaid Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island approving of Aquishnet River being the Boundary Between Rhode Island, & Sandwich Quarterly Meeting.

Samuel Wing, & Ebenezer Wing, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, & ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke 2d. 10th mo 1762. The ſeveral monthly meetings called, the Repreſentatives present are as followeth.

for {Sandwich, John Wendel, & Nathan Davis.
{Pembroke, John Rogers, & Wing Rogers.

Receiv'd Accounts from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, with Anſwers to the Queries which were read, ſome to ſatiſfaction & ſome otherwiſe, and when there appears a Shortneſs, there is deſires for an Amendment in future.

It is concluded that the Quarterly Meeting which uſ'd to be held in the 11th mo. be held at the long plain this present Year.

John Rogers and William Howland, are appointed to draw accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings & bring to the adjournment of this meeting; which is adjourn'd to the 4th inſtant after the Meeting for Worship.

Friends being met according to adjournment, the friends appointed to draw Accounts brought them to this Meeting, which were read approved of, & ſigned herein.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Long Plain for Sandwich 20th 11th mo 1762.

The monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting call'd whoſe Repreſentatives present are as followeth.

(for) (Sandwich Samuel Wing, & Ebenezer Allen.
(Pembroke, John Rogers, & Wing Rogers.

This Meeting thinks proper, that as there hath in time past been no Miniſters Meeting eſtabliſhed at two of our Quarterly Meetings, viz. that held in the 7th mo & that in the 11th mo, that there be for the future one Eſtabliſh'd at each place and that in the 7th mo to begin at the 9th hour at Friends Meeting Houſe in Sandwich, and on that day of the week that the Quarterly Meeting is: and that in the 11th mo to begin at the 7th hour in the Evening before the Quarterly Meeting at the meeting houſe where the Quarterly meeting is to be held the Day following.

This Meeting thinks it neceſsary that the monthly Meeting of Sandwich, which hath been in time paſs'd held on the 7th Day of the Week, in the time of the Yearly Meeting of Sandwich, be for the future held on the 6th Day before, and that the Quarterly Meeting of Buſineſs begin on the 7th Day following, after the Meeting of Worſhip: And that the Miniſters Meeting for the future begin on the ſeventh aforeſaid, at the ninth hour in the Morning, at friends meeting Houſe in Sandwich

It being mov'd in this Meeting for Conſideration whether the Friends living in Rocheſter, long Plain, & Aquiſhnet have more monthly meetings granted them, or whither it may not be proper that there be another monthly Meeting eſtabliſh'd among them, it is refer'd to the next quarterly Meeting for Conſideration

The friends appointed to draw Accounts to the monthly Meetings are Ebenezer Allen, & John Allen & to bring them to the Adjournment.

This Meeting adjourns to tomorrow, after the Meeting for Worſhip at the long Plain.

Friends being met according to adjournment do proceed to the Buſineſs as followeth. (viz)

The friends that were appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting have accordingly brought them, which were read approved & ſigned,

This Meeting hath concluded that all the friends that live on the east ſide of aquiſhnet River, that was by the Yearly Meeting annexed to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, be alſo annexed to Sandwich monthly Meeting.

Receiv'd Accounts from the ſeveral monthly Meetings with Anſwers to the Queries which were read, ſome to Satiſfaction & ſome otherwiſe. We ſtill earneſtly deſire Friends care for an Amendment.

At a Quarterly Meeting of friends held at Sandwich the 26th 3d mo 1763

The ſeveral Monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd whoſe Repreſentatives are as followeth.

For) Sandwich. Benjamin Swift Jur, John Allen, and Daniel King Jur

Pembroke, Thomas Rogers.

It was moved in our laſt Quarterly Meeting for Conſideration whether thoſe friends living on the east ſide of Cuſhinet River long Plain & Rocheſter, ſhould be a monthly Meeting or whether they be allow'd more monthly Meetings than they formerly have had which is ſtill refer'd to next Quarterly Meeting for further conſideration and alſo whether Pembroke be continued to be a monthly Meeting or whether that monthly Meeting be annex'd to Sandwich monthly Meeting.

The Queries were read in this Meeting and Anſwered by the Repreſentatives, ſome clear, ſome not ſo clear as could be deſired Friends are therefore deſired to be at labour for an Amendment.

Our Friends Nathan Davis, Benjamin Swift, & John Allen, are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, alſo Epiſtles to the ſeveral Monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

Our Friends Cornelius Allen Samuel King Nathan Davis, and Thomas Hathaway are appointed to attend the ſaid Yearly Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next ſecond Day after the Meeting of Worſhip is over.

Friends being met according to adjournment, proceeded to the Buſineſs. The Epiſtles mentioned above were brought, read, approved, and Sign'd.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 2nd. 7th mo 1713.

The ſeveral Meetings thereunto belonging called whoſe Repreſentatives preſent as as followeth.

(For) Sandwich. Benjamin Swift, John Ruſsell and John Allen.
Pembroke, No Account nor no friend.

The matter moved in our laſt Quarterly Meeting whether whether Pembroke monthly Meeting ſhould be continued is refer'd to next Quarterly Meeting.

The Matter mov'd in our laſt Quarterly Meeting for Conſideration whether the friends on this ſide of quiſhnut River, Long Plain, and Rocheſter ſhould be a monthly Meeting or whether they ſhould have more monthly Meetings than they formerly had, the matter having been conſidered in this Meeting, Friends do agree that half the monthly Meetings ſhall be held at Quiſhnet, Long plain, & Rocheſter, and the other half in Sandwich and Falmouth, and to begin in the following manner.

The two next monthly Meetings at Falmouth.
The two next at Rocheſter, after Falmouth.
The two next at the long Plain.
The two next at Sandwich
The two next at Quishnet; the other two at Sandwich as uſual at the time of the two Quarterly Meetings at Sandwich.

Receiv'd an Epiſtle from our monthly Meeting with Anſwers to the Queries from Sandwich only, which Anſwers were read in this Meeting, ſome to ſatiſfaction, others not ſo clear as could be deſired, wherefore Friends care is deſired to continue for an Amendment.

Receiv'd an Epiſtle from our Yearly Meeting of Rhode Iſland; alſo one from fluſhing, one from Penſylvania, one written and a Number of Printed ones from London, one of which with the others before mentioned were read in this Meeting to good ſatiſfaction, and are ordered to be ſent down to each monthly Meeting belonging to this Meeting.
Benjamin Swift, Gideon Hoxie, and John Allen, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereto belonging, and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting, which is adjourn'd to tomorrow after the Meeting of Worſhip is over.

Friends being met according to Adjournment, the Epiſtles were brought, read, approved of and Signed in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of friends held at Pembroke 8th. 10th mo 1763
The repreſentatives called on,
For { Sandwich, John Mendel Nathan Davis, John Ruſsell, Timothy Davis, & Nicholas Davis.
Pembroke, John Rogers, & William Howland.

Having duly conſidered the matter brought before this Meeting by the monthly Meeting of Sandwich, reſpecting the place where the enſuing Quarterly Meeting ſhall be held, do unanimouſly agree, that ſaid Meeting for the future be held at the long Plain, as alſo the monthly Meeting which uſ'd to be held at Rocheſter the ſeventh day before.

The Queries from the ſeveral monthly Meetings read and anſwered, ſome to ſatiſfaction, & others not ſo.

Nathan Davis, John Rogers, & John Ruſsell are appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting: which is adjournd to the next second Day after the Meeting of Worship.

Friends being met according to adjournment;

This Meeting concludes that the Quarterly Meeting for the future, ſhall begin at the 11th hour, every Day of the Meeting.

The Epiſtles were brought to this Meeting which were read approved of, and ſigned herein.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 24th 3d mo 1764.

The ſeveral Monthly Meetings hereunto belonging called, whoſe Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth.

for { Sandwich, Nathan Davis, & John Allen.
{ Pembroke, John Rogers & Thomas Rogers.

Receiv'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, with Anſwers to the Queries; ſome clear and ſatisfactory, others not ſo clear as could be deſired: and as there are ſome anſwered not clear, Friends are therefore deſired to endeavour that they may be for the future.

As there are a number of George Foxes Journals about to be printed, and as it is likely a number of Friends will ſubſcribe for them; it is concluded that Benjamin Swift Jun.r Bartholomew Tabor, Ebenezer Allen, be appointed to recieve ſuch Subſcriptions, and send them up to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island.

Nathan Davis, John Allen, John Rogers, & Bartholomew Tabor, are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island, alſo Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island, are, Samuel Wing, Nathan Davis, Timothy Davis, John Rogers, & Ebenezer Allen;

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next second Day after the Meeting for worſhip is over.

Friends being met according to adjournment, proceed to the buſineſs.

The Friends appointed to draw Accounts to the Yearly Meeting of Rhode-Island, and alſo to the ſeveral monthly Meetings brought them, which were read, approved, and ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 30. 6mo 1764.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging called, whoſe Repreſentatives are as followeth, viz.

For { Sandwich, Cornelious Allen, & Benjamin Swift Junr.
Pembroke, John Allen, Bartholomew Tabor, Thomas Rogers,
& Joseph Rogers.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging; with Anſwers to the Queries, which were read in this Meeting. ſome of which Anſwers were clear & ſatisfactory; others not ſo clear as could be deſired, friends Care is therefore ſtill deſired to continue for an amendment.

Reciev'd a written Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting in London, dated 5 mo 1763, and alſo a written Epiſtle from Penſylvania, & new Jerſey, dated 9 mo 1763. alſo a written Epiſtle from Fluſhing, dated 5 mo 1764. alſo a written Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting at newport Rhode Island, dated 6mo 1764. and a Number of printed Epiſtles from the Yearly Meeting in London dated 5 mo 1763. one of which, with the written ones above mentioned written ones, were read in this Meeting to general ſatiſfaction.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke 6. 10mo 1764

The Repreſentatives called upon. there are preſent.

from { Pembroke, Mathew Estes, and John Rogers,
Sandwich none.

The Queries were read, and anſwered from Pembroke, ſome to ſatiſfaction, and ſome not ſo well.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next ſecond day, after the Meeting for worſhip.

Met according to adjournment.

Reciev'd the accounts from Sandwich, and John Mendal, Nathan Davis, Timothy Davis, & Paul Wing, appear'd as Repreſentatives, ſaid Account was read; with anſwers to the Queries, ſome to ſatiſfaction and ſome otherwiſe.

John Rogers, & William Howland, are appointed to draw accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and ſign the ſame

Friends met by adjournment from the laſt meeting by adjournment the friends appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings return'd ſomething in that sort. which were ſigned herein.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at the long Plain for Sandwich 17. 11 m^{o} 1764.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings called, whoſe repreſentatives preſent are as followeth. viz^{t}

For { Sandwich, Samuel Wing, David Bowerman, & John Allen.
Pembroke, John Rogers, & Thomas Rogers.

The Queries were read & anſwered in this Meeting, ſome clear & to ſatisfaction, others not ſo well as could be deſired, wherefore friends care is ſtil deſired for an amendment.

The Friends appointed to draw accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings are John Rogers, Thomas Rogers, and John Allen, who are to bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting adjourn's to 18. inſ^{t} at the 11. hour in the morning.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 6. 7 m^{o}. 1765.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings call'd; whoſe repreſentatives preſent are as followeth.

For { Sandwich, Daniel Wing, David Bowerman, & Nicholas Davis.
Pembroke Thomas Rogers, & William Rowland.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, with anſwers to the Queries, which were read in this Meeting, some of which anſwers were clear, others not so, wherefore Friends are deſired to Labour for amendment

Reciev'd a number of printed Epiſtles from the yearly Meeting in London 6. m^{o} 1764. one from the Yearly Meeting in Fluſhing, 5 m^{o} 1764. in writing; one written one, from Penſilvania 9 m^{o} 1764. and one written one from the yearly Meeting at Newport. alſo a written Epiſtle from two Friends in Penſylvania, to wit John Woolman, and Samuel Eſtbon Dated 5 m^{o} 1765. all which written ones, with one of the printed ones, were read to good Satiſfaction.

Our worthy Friends, William Ricket, & Mordicai Yarnell present who produced Certificates, William's from the monthly Meeting of Winfleet in Lincolnshire, dated 4 m^{o} 1764. alſo a Certificate of Concurrence from the morning Meeting of Miniſters & Elders, in London, dated 3 m^{o} 1764.

John Allen & George Allen are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral Monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting, which is to tomorrow, after the Meeting of Worſhip is over.

Friends being met according to adjournment, proceed to the Buſineſs.

Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly meetings read & approved, and ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke 5.11 mo 1765.
The Repreſentatives preſent are.

From { Sandwich, Timothy Davis & Nicholas Davis.
Pembroke, Mathew Eſtes, & John Rogers.

Receiv'd Accts from Sandwich monthly Meeting, but no anſwers to the Queries, recd. Acct from Pembroke monthly Meeting, with anſwers to the Queries, ſome of which anſwers were to ſatisfaction, & ſome otherwiſe.

Recd. an Epiſtle from Pennſylvania, dated 22.9 mo 1764. alſo one from Philadelphia of 5 mo 1763.

Nicholas Davis, & John Rogers, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and bring them to the adjournment of this Meeting, which is to the ſecond day of the next week, after the Meeting of Worſhip.

Met according to adjournment, the friends appointed to draw accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, having brought them, one was read in this Meeting, accepted, & ſigned herein.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at long plain for Sandwich 16.11 mo 1765.

The ſeveral monthly monthly meetings call'd, whoſe Repreſentatives are as followeth.

For { Sandwich, David Bowerman, & Daniel Wing
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers.

Receiv'd Accounts from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, with the Anſwers to the Queries, which were read in this Meeting, some of which anſwers were to ſatisfaction, but as their appears many deficiences, friends are deſired to be in a diligent labour for amendment.

The friends appointed to draw Certificates to the ſeveral monthly Meetings are, Thomas Rogers, & Hallit Killey

This Meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow after the Meeting of Worſhip is over.

Friends met according to adjournment, proceeded to the buſineſs, the Friends appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, have according to appointment brought them, which were read, approved & signed;

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 29.3 mo 1766.

The ſeveral Monthly Meetings call'd, whoſe Repreſentatives are as followeth.

For { Sandwich, John Ruſsel, David Bowerman, & John Allen.
Pembroke, John Rogers, & Thomas Rogers.

Receiv'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, belonging to this Meeting, with anſwers to the Queries, which were read, and it appearing by the Anſwers that many things are much out of order; Friends are deſired to Labour for an Amendment.

Our Friends John Ruſſel, Stephen Bowerman, David Bowerman, & John Allen, are appointed to draw an Epiſtle to the yearly Meeting, alſo to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and return to the adjournment of this Meeting.

The friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting, next to be holden at Rhode Island, are, Cornelius Allen, John Rogers, Thomas Hathaway, Nathan Davis, Timothy Davis, & Thomas Rogers.

John Allen, & George Allen, are appointed Regiſters for this Meeting, alſo for the monthly Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to the next ſecond Day, after the meeting of Worſhip is over.

Friends being met according to adjournment, proceeded to the Buſineſs.

The Friends appointed to draw Epiſtles, have accordingly brought them, which were read, approved, and ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich. 5. 7 mo 1766.

The ſeveral Monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd their Repreſentatives, are as followeth. viz.

For { Sandwich, David Bowerman, John Allen, & Nicholas Davis.
Pembroke, John Rogers, & Nicholas Howland.

Receiv'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, with anſwers to the Queries, ſome of which Anſwers were clear, & ſatiſfactory, others not ſo clear as could be deſired, whereby it appears that there are ſtill many deficiencies, therefore friends Care is ſtill deſired, that there might be an amendment for the future.

Rec. one written, with a number of Printed Epiſtles from the Yearly Meeting in London, dated 5 mo 1765. alſo a written one from Pennſylvania and new Jerſey, of 9 mo 1765. also one from the yearly Meeting of Fluſhing on long Island of 5 mo 1766, and one from the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island of 6 mo 1766 — all which written Epiſtles, with one of the printed ones, were read in this Meeting to good Satiſfaction, Tranſcripts whereof is ordered to be sent down to each monthly Meeting for their notice and obſervation.

Samuel Bowerman And David Bowerman, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting & bring to the adjournment of this Meeting, which is adjourn'd to tomorrow after the Meeting of Worſhip is over.

Friends being met according to adjournment, proceed to the buſineſs, Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings were read, approved, and ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke, 4.10mo 1766.
The Repreſentatives called on, there were preſent.
For Sandwich, Nathan Davis, Samuel Bowerman, John Ruſsel
Pembroke, Mathew Eſtes, & John Rogers.

Receiv'd Accounts from the ſeveral Monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, with the anſwers to the Queries, which were read in this Meeting.

The Friends appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings are Nathan Davis, & John Rogers,

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next ſecond day, after the meeting for worſhip.

Friends met according to adjournment, and the accounts were read, approved, & ſigned by the Clerk.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at long Plain, for Sandwich 13.11mo 1766
The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd, whoſe repreſentatives preſent are as followeth.
For Sandwich, Gideon Hoxey, John Walker, & David Bowerman.
Pembroke, John Rogers, & Thomas Rogers.

Receiv'd Accts from the ſeveral Monthly Meetings, and the Queries anſwered by the Repreſentatives. and as there appears many deficiencies, Friends are deſir'd to be in a Labour for an Amendment.

Our Friends John Rogers, Thomas Rogers, & Gideon Hoxie, are appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, & bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting.

This meeting is adjourn'd, to tomorrow, after the Meeting for Worſhip.

Friends being met according to adjournment, proceed to the Buſineſs.

The Friends appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings brought them, which were read approv'd. & ſigned, & ordered to be ſent to ſaid monthly Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 23.3mo 1767.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging called whoſe Repreſentatives preſent are as followith.
For Sandwich, John Ruſsel, Benjamin Swift, & John Allen.
Pembroke, John Rogers, William Howland & Iſaac Keen.

The Queries were read in this Meeting, and anſwered by the Repreſentatives, ſome of which were clear & satiſfactory, others not so clear as could be deſired, Friends are therefore deſired to labour for an amendment.

Our Friends, John Rogers, Thomas Rogers, Benjamin Gifford, Benjamin Swift, Timothy Davis, John Ruſsel and Daniel Allen, are appointed to draw accounts to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Iſland; and alſo to attend ſaid yearly Meeting and likewise to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, and bring to the Adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next second Day after the Meeting of Worship.

Friends being met according to adjournment; proceeded to the Buſineſs.

The Friends that were appointed to draw the accounts above mention'd, have accordingly brought them, which were read, approved, & ſigned.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 8. 7mo. 1767.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd, whose representatives are as followeth.

For Sandwich, Benjamin Gifford, David Bowerman, and John Allen, & Bartholomew Tabor.
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers, and William Howland.

Receiv'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, with anſwers to the Queries, some of which Anſwers were clear & ſatiſfactory, others not so clear as could be deſired.

Receiv'd an Epiſtle from the Quarterly Meeting of Rhode Iſland, alſo a number of printed Epiſtles from London, dated 5 m° 1766. one of which, with the ſ Epiſtle from the Quarterly Meeting were read in this Meeting to ſatiſfaction.

The Friends appointed to draw Epiſtles for the ſeveral monthly meetings, are David Bowerman, Thomas Rogers, William Howland, & John Allen. and to bring them to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow after the meeting for Worſhip.

Met according to adjournment, proceeded to the Buſineſs.

The friends appointed to draw Epiſtles to the several monthly meetings have brought them, which were read approved, & ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke 3. 10. mo 1767
The Representatives called on, there were present.
For { Sandwich, John Wendel, Timothy Davis, & Nicholas Davis.

The Queries were read, and anſwered in this Meeting, ſome to ſatisfaction, and some otherwiſe.

The Friends appointed to draw Accounts to the monthly Meetings are John Rogers, & Nicholas Davis. and to bring them to the adjournment of this Meeting, which is adjourn'd to next second Day, after the Meeting of Worship.

Met according to Adjournment, and proceeded to the Buſineſs, the friends appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, having brought them, one of them was read approved & ſigned by the Clerk,

At a Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich, held at Long Plain 21. 11 mo. 1767.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings called, whose Representatives present are as followeth. Vizt.
For { Sandwich, Benjamin Swift, David Bowerman, and
Ignatius Dillingham.
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers.

Receiv'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, with anſwers to the Queries, and as by ſaid Anſwers, many deficiencies appear, Friends are deſir'd to be in a labour for amendment.

Thomas Rogers, and David Bowerman, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

The buſineſs of the laſt Quarterly Meeting not coming to hand, it is refer'd to the next Quarterly Meeting, and the ſeveral Clerks of the Quarterly Meeting are deſired conſtantly to send Copy's of the Minutes of the Quarterly & monthly meetings, to the next quarterly and monthly Meetings.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow after the Meeting for worſhip is over.

Friends being met according to adjournment proceeded to the buſineſs

Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly meetings were read approved and ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 26.3mo 1768
The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd, whoſe Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth, viz:t

For { Sandwich, John Walker, David Bowerman, & Nicholas Davis.
Pembroke, John Rogers, Thomas Rogers, & Samuel Gould.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging with Anſwers to the Queries, some of which were clear & ſatisfactory, others not clear, wherefore Friends are deſired to be in a Labour, that there may be an amendment for the future.

Our Friends Nathan Davis, Timothy Davis, John Rogers, Thomas Rogers, & Ebenezer Allen, are appointed to draw Accounts to the Yearly Meeting next to be held at Rhode Island, and alſo to attend ſaid Meeting,

Nicholas Davis, Jeremiah Auſtin & John Walker, are appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next second day, after the Meeting of Worship is over.

Friends being met according to adjournment, proceeded to the Buſineſs,

The accounts above mentioned were brought read approved & ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 2.7mo 1768
The ſeveral monthly meetings hereunto belonging, call'd, whoſe Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth.

for { Sandwich, David Bowerman & Nicholas Davis.
Pembroke, John Rogers, & Thomas Rogers.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings with anſwers to the Queries, which were read in this Meeting, some of which Anſwers to good ſatisfaction; others not so well as could be deſired, wherefore Friends are deſired to be in a diligent Labour for amendment.

Reciev'd one written, and one printed Epiſtle from London, dated 6mo 1767. one written one from Penſilvania, & new Jerſey, dated 9mo 1767. one from the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, which were read to general ſatiſfaction, and as they contain good & wholesome Advice, they are sent down to the monthly Meetings for their notice, & obſervation,

Our Worthy Friends, Thomas Carlton, Aaron Lancaſter and

Joshua Shearman, were at this Meeting on a religious Viſit, who produced Certificates; Thomas from the monthly Meeting of Kenet in the County of Cheſter, dated 5 mo 1768. Aaron from the monthly Meeting of West Cheſter, in the Province of New York, dated 5 mo 1768. and Joshua from nine partners, dated 5 mo 1768. all which were read in this Meeting to good ſatiſfaction.

Our Friends John Allen, and David Bowerman, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, & bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow, after the Meeting for Worſhip is over.

Friends being Met according to adjournment the Friends that were appointed to draw Epiſtles have brought them which were read, approved, and ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke 8. 10 mo 1768.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging called, whoſe Repreſentatives present are as followeth. viz.

For { Sandwich, John Ruſsell & Jethro Hadaway.
{ Pembroke, Nathanl Ellis, and Thomas Rogers.

Receiv'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, with Anſwers to the Queries. ſome of which were pretty clear, altho many others not clear, Friends are therefore deſired to labour earneſtly for an amendment.

Our friends Nicholas Davis, John Ruſsel, & Thomas Rogers, are appointed to draw Epiſtles, to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, hereunto belonging, and bring to the Adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next ſecond Day, after the Meeting of Worship

Friends being met according to adjournment, the friends that were to draw Epiſtles to the several monthly Meetings, brought them which were read, approved, & ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Long plain 19. 11 mo 1768.

The several Monthly Meetings hereunto belonging called, whoſe Repreſentatives are as followeth viz.

For { Sandwich, George Allen, & David Bowerman.
Pembroke, John Rogers & Thomas Rogers.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, with anſwers to the Queries from Pembroke, but none from Sandwich.

George Allen, David Bowerman, Thomas Rogers, and Samuel Tripp, are appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow after the Meeting for Worſhip.

Friends being met according to adjournment proceeded to the buſineſs

Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings were read approved and ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 25. 3mo. 1769.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd, wh. of Repreſentatives are as followeth viz.

For { Sandwich, Stephen Bowerman, John Allen, & John Ruſsell.
Pembroke, John Rogers, Thomas Rogers, Robert Barker, and
Samuel Gould.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from the ſevral monthly Meetings, with Anſwers to the Queries, which were read in this Meeting, ſome of which were clear & ſatisfactory, others not ſo clear as could be deſired.

Our Friends Stephen Bowerman, David Bowerman, Thomas Rogers, and George Allen, are appointed to draw Accounts to the Yearly Meeting next to be holden at Rhode Island, alſo to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend ſaid Yearly Meeting are John Rogers, Thomas Rogers, John Ruſsell, Benjamin Gifford, Stephen Bowerman, and David Bowerman.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next ſecond Day after the Meeting for Worſhip.

Friends being met according to adjournment proceeded to the Buſineſs.

Accounts to the above mentioned Meetings, were read approved and ſigned in this Meeting, and ſent to ſaid Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 1. 7 mo 1769

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd whoſe Repreſentatives are as followeth. vizt.

For { Sandwich, Stephen Bowerman, John Allen, & Nicholas Davis
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers, William Eaſtes, & Joseph Rogers.

Receiv'd Epiſtles from the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, with Anſwers to the Queries, which were read in this Meeting, ſome of which Anſwers were clear, but there are many not clear, Friends are therefore deſired to be in a Labour for an amendment.

Receiv'd a Number of Epiſtles printed & written from the Yearly Meeting in London Dated 1769. one from the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Iſland of the same date, which written ones, with one of the printed ones were read in this Meeting to Satiſfaction.

Our worthy Friend Rachel Wilſon was at this Meeting on a religious Viſit, producing a Certificate from the monthly Meeting of Kendal, in weſtmoreland old England, dated 6 mo 1768. alſo a Certificate of concurrence from the Quarterly Meeting of the same place, dated 7 mo 1768. Likewiſe a Certificate of Concurrence from the morning meeting of Miniſters & Elders in London dated 8 mo 1768. alſo our Friend John Pemberton from Philadelphia, and Sarah Hopkins from the Jerſeys, whoſe Certificates were all read in this Meeting to general ſatiſfaction.

John Allen, & Stephen Bowerman are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, & bring them to the adjournment of this Meeting

This Meeting is adjourned to tomorrow after the meeting for Worship

Friends being met according to adjournment, proceed to the buſineſs

Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings were read, approved and ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke 7. 10 mo. 1769.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging being called whoſe Repreſentatives preſent being as followeth, viz.

For { Sandwich, Samuel Bowerman, & Abraham Davis.
Pembroke, John Rogers, & Thomas Rogers.

The Queries read & Anſwered, ſome to ſatiſfaction, & ſome otherwiſe, and as there appears a deficiency, friends are deſired to be in a Labour for an Amendment.

Gideon Hoxſey, and Abraham Davis, are appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

And whereas Thomas Dillingham hath appealed from the Judgment of Pembroke monthly Meeting, to this Meeting on account of their dealing with him, this meeting appoints by the approbation of ſaid Thomas Dillingham, Samuel Trip, John Ewers, Abraham Davis, John Mosher, and Ichabode Edey, a committee to hear & determine the Caſe of ſaid Thomas Dillingham, and make report to the adjournment of this Meeting. and this Meeting appoints Wing Rogers & Robert Barker, in behalf of ſaid Meeting to attend the above named committee, respecting the affair of the ſaid Thomas Dillingham,

This Meeting is adjourned to ſecond Day after the Meeting for Worship.

Friends being met according to adjournment proceed to the buſineſs.

The friends appointed a Committee respecting the Caſe of Thomas Dillingham reported that the ſaid Thomas Dillingham appeard among them, and withdrew his Appeal.

The friends appointed to draw accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings brought them, one of which was read in this Meeting approved of & signed herein.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at long Plain 18. 11 mo. 1769.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging called, whoſe Repreſentatives are as followeth, viz.t

For { Sandwich, Samuel Bowerman, John Allen, and Ignatius Dillingham.
Pembroke, Samuel Gould & Joseph Rogers.

Receiv'd accounts from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, with anſwers to the Queries from Sandwich only, which were read in this Meeting.

Thomas Rogers, Samuel Gould, & Ignatius Dillingham are appointed to draw Acc.ts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, & bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjournd to tomorrow, after the Meeting of Worship

Friends being met according to adjournment, proceed to the buſineſs

Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly meetings belonging to this Meeting were receiv'd, approved, & ſigned herein.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 24-3m^{d} 1770.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd whoſe Repreſentatives preſent were as followeth viz^{t}.

For { Sandwich, Benjamin Swift, Stephen Bowerman, John Allen, & George Allen.
Pembroke, John Rogers, & Samuel Gould.

Receiv'd Accounts from the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, with Anſwers to the Queries.

Our Friends John Rogers, Samuel Gould, Thomas Rogers, Nathan Davis, Samuel Wing, & Thomas Hathaway, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting next to be holden on Rhode Island; alſo to draw Accounts to ſaid Yearly Meeting, & to each monthly Meeting, and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next ſecond Day after the Meeting of Worſhip.

Friends being met according to adjournment the Acct^{s} above mentioned were read, approved, and Signed in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich, 30.6m^{d}. 1770.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd, whose Repreſentatives present are as followeth viz^{t}.

For { Sandwich, David Bowerman, John Walker, & John Allen.
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers, & Wing Rogers.

Receiv'd accounts from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, with Anſwers to the Queries, which were read in this Meeting.

Receiv'd printed Epiſtles, and a written one from the Yearly Meeting in London, dated 5 m^{o}. 1769. alſo an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting in Rhode Island, which Epiſtles were read in this Meeting to general ſatisfaction.

Our Friends Joſhua Brown, & David Willets, were here on a religious viſit, who produced Certificates, Joſhua Browns from

Nottingham monthly Meeting Cheſter County, Province of Philadelphia, dated 5 mo. 1770. David Willits from Weſtbury monthly Meeting dated 5 mo. 1770. which were read in this meeting to ſatiſfaction.

Our Friends Thomas Rogers. Samuel Gould, & Benjamin Swift are appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow after the meeting of Worſhip.

Friends Met according to adjournment, Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings were brought, read, approved of, & ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke. 6. 10 mo 1770.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings call'd whoſe Repreſentatives were as followeth. vizt.

For { Sandwich, Nathan Davis, & Benjamin Bumpas
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers, & Joseph Rogers.

The Queries were read, and anſwered in this Meeting, some to ſatisfaction, and others not so, in which deficiencies friends are deſired to take care for an Amendment.

The friends appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings are, are Daniel Wing, & John Walker, who are directed to bring them to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next second day after the Meeting of Worſhip.

Friends met according to adjournment, proceeded to the buſineſs. The friends appointed to draw Accts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings brought them, one of which was read in this Meeting, & both ſigned.

At a Quarterly Meeting for Sandwich, held at long plain, 18. 11 mo 1770.

The ſeveral monthly meetings hereunto belonging call'd whoſe Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth, vizt.

For { Sandwich, David Bowerman, John Allen, & Ignatius Dillingham
Pembroke, Samuel Gould, & Joseph Rogers.

Reciev'd Accounts from the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging. with anſwers to the Queries from Sandwich, which were read in this Meeting.

Samuel Gould, Thomas Rogers, & Ignatius Dillingham, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, and bring them to the adjournment hereof.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow, after the Meeting of Worſhip.

Friends being met according to adjournment, proceeded to the buſineſs.

The friends appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, brought them, which were read, approved, & ſigned herein.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 30. 3 mo. 1771.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd whoſe Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth, vizt.

For { Sandwich, George Allen, & David Bowerman.
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers.

Reciev'd Accounts from the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, with Anſwers to the Queries, which were read herein, and as there are ſome Anſwers not clear, friends are deſired to labour for an Amendment.

A Certificate for our Friend Timothy Davis, was read, approved and ſigned in this Meeting.

Our Friends Thomas Rogers, Samuel Gould, Daniel Wing, John Allen, & George Allen, are appointed to draw an Account to the yearly Meeting of Rhode Island; and the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

Our Friends Samuel Wing, Thomas Rogers, Nathan Davis, & Thomas Hathaway, are appointed to attend ſaid Yearly Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next ſecond day, after the Meeting for Worship

Friends being met according to adjournment, proceed to the buſineſs.

The above Accounts were brought, read, approved, and ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke 4. 10 mo. 1771

The ſeveral Monthly Meetings called upon, whoſe repreſentatives are as followeth, vizt.

For { Sandwich, Nathan Davis, Benjamin Swift, John Ruſsel, John Ewers & David Bowerman.
Pembroke, John Rogers, Thomas Rogers, & Samuel Gould.

By the Account from Sandwich last monthly Meeting we are inform'd they had appointed Thomas Hathaway, Jeremiah Auſtin and Daniel Wing in the ſtation of Elders, which appointment this Meeting doth approve of.

The Queries were read, & anſwered in this Meeting, ſome clear, & others not so, wherefore friends are deſired to be more careful for the time to come

The friends appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings are John Ruſsel, & David Bowerman. who are deſired to bring them to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next ſecond day, after the Meeting for worſhip.

Friends being met according to adjournment proceed, to the buſineſs.

The friends appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings brought them, one of which was read, approved, & ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich, held at the long Plain 26. 11 mo. 1771.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd, whoſe Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth vizt —

For { Sandwich, John Ruſsell, & Jeremiah Auſtin,
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers, & John Rogers.

Our friend David Bowerman being appointed an Elder, at our laſt monthly Meeting, this Meeting approves thereof

The money that was raiſ'd to ſupply the Yearly Meeting ſtock in London, was brought to this Meeting, and ſent to William Redwood by the hand of John Ruſsell, in order to be ſent to ſaid Yearly Meeting in London.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 28. 3 mo 1772.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd, whoſe Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth, Vizt

For { Sandwich, Nicholas Davis, Barnabas Hoxie, & John Allen.
Pembroke, John Rogers, Thomas Rogers, & Samuel Gould.

Sandwich monthly Meeting hath appointed our friend George Allen an Elder, which appointment this Meeting approves of.

Pembroke friends request some aſsistance from Sandwich monthly Meeting, wherefore this Meeting appoints our friends Nathan Davis, Benjamin Swift, Samuel Wing, Jeremiah Auſtin, & David Bowerman, a committee to aſsist them, agreeable to ſaid request.

The things recommended in the Epiſtle from Rhode Island

Yearly Meeting last, to be entered in the Book of Diſcipline, is ordered to be done by the committee for that purpose.

The Queries were read in this Meeting and anſwered, some clear and ſatiſfactory, others not so clear as could be deſired, Friends are deſired to labour for an amendment for the future.

The friends appointed to attend the yearly Meeting next to be held at Rhode Island, are, John Rogers, Thomas Rogers, Nathan Davis, Samuel Gould, Jeremiah Auſtin, Samuel Wing, & Ebenezer Allen, the same friends are appointed to draw Accounts to ſaid Yearly Meeting, and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next second day, after the Meeting of Worship.

Friends being Met according to adjournment proceed to the buſineſs, Accounts for the Yearly Meeting was brought, read approved of, and ſigned herein.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich. 4. 7mo. 1772.

The ſeveral monthly Meeting hereunto belonging being call'd, the Representatives present are as followeth. Viz.

For { Sandwich, John Allen, & David Bowerman.
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers, & Samuel Gould.

The friends that were appointed at our laſt Quarterly Meeting, to visit, and aſsiſt Pembroke, report that they have done it according to appointment, The ſame Friends are continued in that Service, with the addition of Gideon Hoxie, George Allen, & Ebenezer Allen.

It is agree'd that the monthly Meeting that hath heretofore held at the long plain in the 11. mo. be for the future held at Sandwich the first 6. day of the same Month.

Reciev'd a Number of printed general Epiſtles from the Yearly Meeting in London, dated, 7 mo. 1771. one written one of the same date, one from Philadelphia, dated 9 mo. 1771. one from Fluſhing dated 5 mo 1772. & one from the yearly Meeting of Rhode Island for 1772. which written ones with one of the printed ones, were read to general ſatisfaction, and the contents thereof recommended to the observation of each monthly Meeting.

John Allen, & Nicholas Davis are appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, and bring them to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow, after the Meeting of Worship

Met according to adjournment, a Subscription for William Sewal's History our Friend Timothy Davis is appointed to recieve, with the Subſcribers Money, which is 1 Dollar ꝑ Book.

Samuel Gould	1	Benjamin Bowerman	1	Joshua Dillingham	1
Nathan Davis	1	Ignatius Dillingham	1	Isaac Keen	1
Ebenezr. Allen	1	Thomas Rogers	1	Edward Wing	1
John Rogers	1	Benjamin Swift	1	Judah Bowerman	1
John Wing Junr.	1	Joseph Bowerman	1	James Hoxie	1
Kezekiah Hoxie	1	Samuel Trip	1	Joseph Holway	1
Benjamin Gifford	1	Robert Estes	1	Benjamin Wing	1
David Kelley	1	Prince Barker	1	Barnabas Hoxie	1
Paul Jones	1	William Howland	1	John Wing	1
Nicholas Davis	1	Robert Barker	1		

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke 3.10.mo 1772.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd whoſe Repreſentatives are as followeth, vizt.

For { Sandwich, Jeremiah Auſtin, Daniel Wing, and Nicholas Davis.
Pembroke, John Rogers, & Thomas Rogers.

Whereas Joseph Keen having heretofore been denied by the monthly Meeting of Pembroke, requested an appeal to this Meeting, from ſaid Judgment, which was granted, he informs this Meeting that he withdraws his appeal, having no mind to proſecute. William Chapman having heretofore been denied as being under the Care of Pembroke monthly Meeting, hath requested an appeal from ſaid Judgment to this Meeting, which was Granted, and Ebenezer Allen, Daniel Wing, Nicholas Davis, John Wing, & Benjamin Swift, are appointed a Committee to hear & adjudge of the juſtneſs thereof, and report to the adjournment of this Meeting, and Samuel Gould, & Jeremiah Auſtin, are appointed by ſaid monthly Meeting to repreſent them in ſaid Caſe.

Mehetabel Jenkins, & Sarah Jenkins, who were at this Meeting on a religious Viſit, produced Certificates from Dover monthly Meeting dated 12. 6mo 1772. both of which were read in this Meeting to ſatiſfaction.

Samuel Wing, Joshua Dillingham, & David Bowerman are appointed to draw accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging. & bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next second day, after the Meeting of Worship.

Friends met according to adjournment proceed to the Buſineſs.

The Friends appointed to hear & determine on an appeal brought by William Chapman from the Judgment of the monthly Meeting of Pembroke, report as followeth, and thereby confirm the Judgment of said monthly Meeting.

The friends appointed to draw accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, brought them, one of which was read, approved, & ſigned.

We the Subſcribers, being appointed a Committee by the Quarterly Meeting of Pembroke, to hear & determine on an Appeal, brought by William Chapman from the Judgment of the monthly Meeting of Pembroke, and having heard their Allegations on both ſides, and duly considered the matter, do think the Crimes that he the ſaid William Chapman is charged with, and his not making Friends Satiſfaction, is worthy of a denial therefore do confirm the Judgment of the monthly Meeting.

Benjamin Swift
Daniel Wing
Nicholas Davis
John Wing Jur.
Ebenezer Allen.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich held at the long Plain 21. 11mo 1772.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd whose Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth. viz

For { Sandwich, Nathan Davis, Jeremiah Auſtin & John Ruſſell.
Pembroke, John Rogers, Thomas Rogers, & Samuel Gould,

The Queries were read in this Meeting, & anſwered, ſome to ſatiſfaction, & ſome otherwise, and as there appears many deficiencies, Friends are deſired to be in a diligent Labour for an amendment.

Our well Eſteemed friend William Jones was at this Meeting, who produced a Certificate from Burlington in new Jersey, dated 9 mo. 1770. which was read to good ſatiſfaction, and his visit kindly accepted.

Our Friends Samuel Gould, & Joseph Bowerman, are appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, and bring to the adjournment hereof.

This meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow after the meeting of Worship.

Met according to adjournment, the friends appointed to draw Accounts have brought them, which were read approved & ſigned in this Meeting, alſo a Certificate for our friend William Jones, was read approved, and ſigned by a number of Friends.

Reciev'd thirty Epiſtles from the Meeting of ſufferings held in Philadelphia, wrote by our friend John Woolman.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 27.3mo 1773.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd whoſe Repreſentatives present are as followeth vizt.

For { Sandwich, John Allen, & David Bowerman.
Pembroke, John Rogers, William Howland, & Joſhua Dillingham.

The Queries were read & anſwered in this Meeting, some clear, others not so clear as could be deſired.

The friends appointed to draw Accounts to the yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, are, Samuel Gould, John Allen, & Peleg Dillano, and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting

The friends appointed to attend the yearly Meeting of Rhode Island are John Rogers Thomas Rogers, Nathan Davis, Jeremiah Austin, David Bowerman, & Benjamin Swift.

This meeting is adjourn'd to next second day after the Meeting of Worship.

Friends being met according to adjournment, proceeded to the Buſineſs.

The friends appointed to draw Accounts brought them, which were read, approved, and ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich, 3. 7mo. 1773.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting call'd, whoſe Repreſentatives present, are as followeth, vizt.

For { Sandwich, John Ruſsell, & Nicholas Davis. Samuel Wing & Benjamin Bowerman.
Pembroke, John Rogers, Thomas Rogers, & Samuel Gould.

The Queries were read, & anſwered in this Meeting, some of which were clear & ſatisfactory, others not so clear as could be deſired, where friends are deſired to be in a Labour for Amendment

Reciev'd a number of general printed Epiſtles, and one written one from London Yearly Meeting for 1772. alſo Epiſtles from Philadelphia, & Fluſhing which were read to good ſatiſfaction.

William Mathews, and John Wyllis, were at this Meeting on a religious Viſit, who produced Certificates, William's from Warrington monthly meeting, in the County of York, Penſylvania Government, Dated 5mo 1773, John's from Fluſhing dated 6mo. 1773. which were read in this Meeting to Satiſfaction.

Samuel Gould, Daniel Wing, Joseph Wing, & John Ruſsel, are appointed to draw Accounts to the ſeveral monthly Meetings and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting, tomorrow after the Meeting of Worship,

Met according to adjournment, Epiſtles to the above mentioned monthly Meetings were read, approved, & ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke, 2. 10 mo. 1773.

The several monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd, whose Representatives present are as followeth, viz.

For {Sandwich, Benjamin Swift, John Ruſsel, & Nicholas Davis.
{Pembroke, John Rogers, & Robert Barker.

Rec. an Epiſtle from the Meeting for ſufferings, held in Philadelphia, for Penſylvania & new Jersey, dated 17. 12 mo 1772. recommending friends care in providing for the rising Generation such Books as may be for their Edification, which was read in this Meeting to ſatiſfaction, alſo a Certificate from Eacter monthly Meeting, held at maiden Creek, dated 28. 7 mo. 1773. recommending our Friends Abel Thomas, & Samuel Lee, who were at this Meeting on a religious visit

We receiv'd accounts from the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, which accounts were read in this Meeting, and as the Quarterly Meeting next to be holden at the long plain is nigh at hand, the anſwers to the Queries were refer'd to be read at ſaid Meeting

This meeting is adjourn'd to next second day after the meeting of Worship.

Friends being met according to adjournment proceed to the Buſineſs

This Meeting thinks fit to refer the ſaid Epiſtle from the Meeting for ſufferings, to the next quarterly Meeting to be held at the long Plain.

At a Quarterly Meeting for Sandwich held at the long plain, 8. 11 mo. 1773

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd whose Representatives present are as followeth, viz

For Sandwich, Samuel Wing, Nathan Davis Daniel Wing George Allen, John Ruſsel & David Bowerman.

For Pembroke. Robert Barker, & Joshua Dillingham.

Our well esteemed friend Robert Wyllis visited this Meeting with his Certifacate from the monthly Meeting of Plainfield east new-Jersey 21. 9 mo 1775, which was read in this Meeting to good ſatisfaction & Comfort.

The Queries were read in this Meeting, and anſwered by Sandwich

monthly Meeting only.
This meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow after the meeting of Worship is over.
Friends being met according to adjournment,

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich, 26 3 mo 1774.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd whoſe Representatives present are as followeth, vizt

For Sandwich, Joseph Wing, Nicholas Davis, John Allen.
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers, William Howland Jur. Joseph Rogers & Samuel Gould.

Our Friends Timothy Davis, Samuel Gould, & Nicholas Davis, are appointed to draw Accounts to the next yearly Meeting to be held at Newport on Rhode Island, & bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

Our Friends Timothy Davis, Jeremiah Auſtin, Ebenezer Allen, Thomas Rogers, David Bowerman, & Daniel Wing, are appointed to attend ſaid Yearly Meeting.

This Meeting concludes that the reprinting Robert Barclay's apology, would be of general Service, the conſideration of which, do refer to the Yearly Meeting, for friends concurrence.

This meeting is adjourn'd to next second Day, after the Meeting of worship.

Friends being met according to adjournment proceed to the Buſineſs

The Friends appointed to draw Accounts to the Yearly Meeting have accordingly brought them, which were read, approved, and ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke, 8. 10 mo 1774.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging called whoſe Representatives present, are as followeth, vizt

For Sandwich, Henry Hedley, Nathan Davis, Benjamin Bumpas and John Ruſsel.
Pembroke, John Rogers, William Howland, Thomas Rogers, & Samuel Gould.

This Meeting recieves from Sandwich monthly Meeting fourty Shillings for the Yearly meeting ſtock at Rhode Island; alſo eight Shillings from Pembroke monthly Meeting for the same use. which Sums are ſent by our Friend Job Anthony to Caleb Carpenter treaſurer for ſaid Yearly Meeting

Reciev'd accounts from the ſeveral monthly Meetings but no

Answers to the Queries from either of them.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich, held at the longplain 19. 11 mº. 1774.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd whose Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth. vizt

For { Sandwich, Samuel Wing, Barnabas Hoxie, & Benjamin Wing
Pembroke, Samuel Gould, & Joseph Rogers,

Reciev'd one hundred London Epiſtles, from Rhode Island, Yearly Meeting, which was proportioned to each monthly Meeting

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 25.3 mº. 1775.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd whose Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth, vizt

For { Sandwich, Zaccheus Gifford, Ignatius Dillingham, Isaac Hiller, & Daniel Wing.
Pembroke, Robert Barker, Thomas Rogers, & Samuel Gould.

It is concluded by this Meeting, that the Meeting at Quiſhne be continued to begin at the 11. hour, and that a Meeting shall be held at the long Plain, beginning alſo at the 11 hour, and that of the third hour at the long plain ſtill continued until the end of the ninth Month.

The monthly Meeting of Sandwich hath mentioned to this Meeting, whether it may not be well, that the monthly & Quarterly Meetings that have been heretofore held a Sandwich in the 7 mº. be held at Falmouth, and the monthly Meeting that hath been held at Falmouth in the 9 mº., be held at Sandwich, which is refer'd to the next Quarterly Meeting for Conſideration.

It is concluded by this Meeting that the Meeting at Sandwich shall begin at the 11 hour, until the end of the ninth month.

The Queries were read & anſwered in this Meeting.

Our Friends Nathan Davis, Jeremiah Auſtin, John Rogers, Thomas Rogers, & Ebenezer Allen, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting at Newport on Rhode Island,

Samuel Gould, William Howland, David Bowerman & Zaccheus Gifford, are appointed to draw accounts to the Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island, & bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next second day after the Meeting of Worſhip.

Friends being met according to adjournment, do proceed to the buſineſs.

Our Friend Timothy Davis is appointed to recieve the Subscriptions and the money for Barclay's Apology, to transmit to Philadelphia,

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next monthly Meeting after the buſineſs is over

Friends being met according to adjournment, proceed to the buſineſs

This Meeting is adjourn'd til the next monthly Meeting.

Friends being met according to adjournment, the Friends appointed to draw an Epiſtle to the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, have brought one to this Meeting, which was read approved, & ſigned herein.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 1.7mo. 1775

The several monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting called whose Repreſentatives present are as followeth, viz.

For { Sandwich, Peleg Dillano, Benjamin Swift & John Ruſsell.
Pembroke, John Rogers Jun.r & Joseph Rogers.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from the Yearly Meetings of London, Philadelphia and Fluſhing, alſo from the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, alſo from the monthly Meeting of Sandwich, all which were read in this Meeting to Satiſfaction.

The Queries were read in this Meeting and anſwer'd, some clear & ſatiſfactory others not so clear as could be deſir'd,

This Meeting is deſir'd to raiſe sixteen pounds lawful money for a yearly Meeting Stock, in the following proportion. viz

Sandwich monthly Meeting. £13.15
Pembroke monthly Meeting . 2.5.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow after the Meeting of Worſhip is over

Friends being met according to adjournment, do proceed to the Buſineſs

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke 7.10mo. 1775.

The ſeveral Monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, call'd, whose Repreſentatives present are as followeth (viz)

For { Sandwich, Benjamin Swift, Ignatius Dillingham, & Benjamin Bumpus
Pembroke, John Rogers, William Howland & Robert Barker.

The Anſwers to the Queries from Pembroke monthly Meeting was read in this Meeting, but no anſwers appeared from Sandwich, and as the minutes of the last Quarterly Meeting was omitted being brought to this Meeting through forgetfulneſs. But ſeveral members thereof, thinking there was no references to this Meeting, it was paſt over.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 6.7mo 1776
The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging called, whose Representatives present are as followeth viz

For { Sandwich, Jeremiah Austin, David Bowerman, Nathan Davis, Ebenezer Allen, Joseph Wing, & Benjamin Swift
Pembroke, Robert Barker, Thomas Rogers, & Joseph Rogers.

The Queries were read in this Meeting & anſwer'd, some clear & ſatiſfactory, others not so clear as could be deſired, therefore friends are deſired to be in a diligent labour for an amendment for the future.

Pembroke Meeting requesting a Committee of aſsiſtance, this Meeting doth appoint our Friends Nathan Davis, Jeremiah Auſtin, Daniel Wing, George Allen, Benjamin Swift, David Bowerman, & Ebenezer Allen, a committee to aſsist Pembroke Friends in ſetling some differences in ſentiments, and make report thereof, to next Quarterly Meeting.

Our Eſteemed Friends David Ferris, John Perry, and Phebe Yarnel, from Penſylvania, and Rebecca Wright from new Jerſey attended this Meeting on a religious viſit, whose Certificates were read in this Meeting to good ſatisfaction,

Receiv'd one written Epiſtle from London Yearly Meeting dated 6mo 1775. one written one from Philadelphia, and new Jerſey, dated 9mo 1775. one written one from flushing on Long Island dated 5mo 1776. one from the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, dated 6mo 1776. alſo a number of printed Apologies, publish'd by the Meeting for ſufferings at Philadelphia, one of which with the abovementioned Epiſtles were read in this Meeting to general ſatisfaction.

Benjamin Swift, David Bowerman, & Ebenezer Allen, are appointed to attend the Meeting for ſufferings as Members.

Ebenezer Allen & George Allen, are appointed to prepare Certificates for our Friends of the weſtern provinces, that have attended this Meeting, and present them to the next quarterly Meeting. and alſo to write to the monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, and to make report thereof to the next Quarterly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke 5.10mo 1776.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called, the Representatives present as as followeth viz.

For { Sandwich Nathan Davis, Jeremiah Auſtin, John Ruſsel, David Bowerman, & Daniel Wing.
Pembroke, William Howland, Samuel Gould, & Thomas Rogers.

Receiv'd Accounts from Sandwich monthly Meeting, but no

Anſwers to the Queries, only mentioning the persons above named to represent them at the Quarterly Meeting &c.

Receivd Accounts from pembroke monthly Meeting, with anſwers to the Queries, which was read in this Meeting. some clear and some otherwiſe; wherefore friends are deſired to labour, for an Amendment.

The Minutes of the last Quarterly Meeting are not brought to this Meeting, but are in hope they may appear at the adjournment hereof.

A Certificate from Portsmouth monthly Meeting, on behalf of our Friend Mary Kalender, who is here on a religious Visit dated portsmouth 27. 8 mo. 1776 was read in this Meeting, & kindly accepted.

This Meeting appoints our Friends Jeremiah Auſtin, Nathan Davis, & John Ruſsell. to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next second Day after the meeting for worſhip

Met by adjournment. the last Quarterly Meeting Minutes were brought & read, by which it appeard that there was a number of Friends appointed to aſsiſt Pembroke Friends, who reported that they had heard that the Matter for which they were appointed was ſettled among themselves at Pembroke, which proved to be so, and which was the reaſon why they did not attend.

The friends who were appointed at the last Quarterly Meeting to draw Certificates for our eſteemed Friends David Harris John Perry, Rebecca Wright, & Phebe Yarnel, brought them to this Meeting which were read, approved, & ſigned by the Clerk. alſo the friends who were appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings brought them, which were alſo approved, & signed by the Clerk.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich, held at the long Plain 16. 11 mo. 1776 The several monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd whose Representatives present are as followeth. viz.

For
Sandwich, David Bowerman, Benjamin Swift, Daniel Wing. George Allen, & Paul Wing.
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers, Joseph Rogers, John Bailey, & Mordicai Ellis.

The Queries were read in this Meeting & anſwered some to ſatisfaction, and ſome otherwiſe.

Receivd a number of printed Epiſtles from the last yearly Meeting of Philadelphia, one of which was read in this Meeting, to general ſatiſfaction, after which they were divided, and sent to the ſeveral monthly Meetings.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 29. 3 mo. 1777.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging called, where Representatives present, are as followeth, viz

For Sandwich, Stephen Bowerman, Nicholas Davis, & Thomas Wing.
Pembroke, Joshua Dillingham, John Bailey 3d. Snow Randel, &
Mordicai Ellis Jur.

The Queries were read and answered in this Meeting, some clear & ſatiſfactory others not so clear as could be deſired, therefore it is deſired that friends may be in a Labour for an amendment.

Our Friends Joshua Dillingham, Stephen Bowerman, & Thomas Wing, are appointed to draw Accounts to the Yearly Meeting of Rhode-Island, and John Baily, Jeremiah Auſtin, Benjamin Swift & Thomas Rogers, are appointed to attend ſaid Meeting.

It is thought by some Friends, that it might be well that second Day be taken of from this Meeting, which is refer'd to the yearly Meeting for conſideration.

It is agreed that the Meeting at Quishnet & long plain be continued as usual.

Reciev'd an Epiſtle from the yearly Meeting in London, directed to the Yearly Meeting in Philadelphia, which was read in this Meeting to ſatisfaction.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to next second Day, after the Meeting for worship is over.

Met according to adjournment, the accounts to the Yearly Meeting with anſwers to the Queries, read, approved, & ſigned in this Meeting

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 5. 7mo 1777
The several monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd whose repreſentatives present are as followeth, viz.

For Sandwich, Nicholas Davis, Stephen Bowerman, and
Thomas Wing.
Pembroke, John Bailey, Joseph Rogers, Joshua Dillingham
and Mordicai Ellis.

Reciev'd one printed & one written Epiſtle from London dated 1776, alſo one printed and one written one from Philadelphia which were read in this Meeting to good ſatiſfaction.

The Queries were read and anſwered in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke, 4. 10 mo. 1777.

The ſeveral monthly Meeting hereunto belonging, called, whoſe Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth. vizt.

(Tor) Sandwich, John Ruſsell, David Bowerman, & Jonathan Tabor.
Pembroke, Joſhua Dillingham, & William Howland Jur.

This Meeting reciev'd the Yearly Meeting extracts of 1777. and as they contain Something adopted as a rule in Society, they are directed to be tranſcrib'd, and ſent down to the ſeveral monthly Meetings for their Notice & obſervation, alſo accounts are reciev'd from the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereto belonging, with ſalutations of Love, and anſwers to the Queries, in which we obſerve sundry deficiences, and deſire that friends be ſtirr'd up to care and diligence in theſe Reſpects, to labour with such as fall short of duty herein for the future.

A Certificate on behalf of our eſteemed friend George Dillwyn from the monthly Meeting of Burlington, Dated 14. 8 mo 1777, alſo one in behalf of our eſteemed friend Benjamin Jones from the monthly Meeting of mount Holley dated 6. 8 mo. 1777. both of which were red in this Meeting to good ſatiſfaction; we have likewiſe been favour'd with the company of our eſteemed friends. Aaron Lancaſter & David Sands from the province of new York, and the company of all our aforesaid Friends hath been to us acceptable.

Samuel Gould, & Samuel Wing, are deſired to prepare Certificates on behalf of our friends George Dilwyn, & Benjamin Jones, and have them at the adjournment of this Meeting, which is adjourn'd to ſecond day, 6th inſtant at the cloſe of the Meeting for Worship.

Met by adjournment, the Repreſentatives being called are all present. Certificates in behalf of our Friends George Dillwyn & Benjamin Jones, were brought, read, approved, and ſigned in this Meeting by the Clerk, and likewise endorſments were made in behalf of our Friends Aaron Lancaſter & David Sands, to their several monthly Meetings, our friends Jonathan Macy, & Seth Gardner from Nantucket have attended this Meeting, whoſe Company hath been acceptable, and the Minutes they produced from their Meeting ſatiſfactory, and alſo for Joſhua Fulſome, and James Neale, from Dover monthly Meeting held at Berwick 9 mo 1777. whose company hath been acceptable, and their Certificates ſatiſfactory, all of which were indorſed in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich held at the long Plain 5. 11 m^{o} 1777.

The several monthly Meetings thereunto belonging called whoſe Repreſentatives present, are as followeth, viz^{t}.

For { Sandwich, Daniel Wing, Peleg Dillano, Ebenezer Allen
Edward Wing, Benjamin Swift, & David Bowerman.
Pembroke, Joshua Dillingham, & Mordicai Ellis

The Queries from Pembroke was read in this Meeting & anſwered some to ſatiſfaction, & some otherwiſe, but no Anſwers from Sandwich.

At a Quarterly Meeting of friends held at Sandwich 28. 3 m^{o}. 1778.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging called, whoſe Repreſentatives present are as followeth, viz^{t}.

for { Sandwich, Stephen Bowerman, John Ruſsel, & Thomas Wing.
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers, Mordicai Ellis Ju^{r}. & Snow Randel.

The Queries were read & anſwered in this Meeting, some of which were to ſatiſfaction, others not so clear, wherefore friends are deſired to labour for an amendment in future.

Our Friends Benjamin Swift, Thomas Wing, & Thomas Rogers, are appointed to draw Accounts to the Yearly Meeting, & bring to the adjournment of this Meeting. & John Rogers, Thomas Rogers, Jeremiah Auſtin, John Ruſsel, Ebenezer Allen, David Bowerman & Benjamin Swift are appointed to attend ſaid Yearly Meeting.

It is agreed & concluded to hold the Quarterly & monthly Meeting in the sixth month next, at Falmouth, agreeable to the request of Falmouth Friends.

Pembroke Friends inform this Meeting that they think it best to repair their meeting houſe, or make some alteration which this Meeting approves of.

The Case of Timothy Davis being brought up to this Meeting, from the monthly Meeting, and after being deliberated on in this Meeting, our Friends Thomas Rogers, Peleg Dillano, and Richard Lake, are appointed a Committee, to visit ſaid Timothy on that Account, and make report to the adjournment of this Meeting, which is adjourn'd to the first 6th day of the 5th month at Rocheſter

The 1st. 5 m^{o}. 1778 Met according to adjournment. the friends appointed to visit Timothy Davis make report, that he hath no freedom to condemn his conduct respecting his publishing a

Riew on taxation, therefore our friends, Jeremiah Auſtin, Snow Randal, and Richard Sillans, are appointed to represent the Caſe to the next Yearly Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke. 3. 10 m^o 1778
The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd, whoſe Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth. viz
For { Sandwich, Zaccheus Gifford, Thomas Wing, John Ruſsel, and Abraham Davis.
Pembroke, William Howland Jun^r. John Bailey, Benjamin Barker, James Rogers, & Mordicai Ellis Jun^r.

John Tabor was appointed for Sandwich, but did not attend by reaſon of Indiſposition of body.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow, after the Meeting for Worſhip.

4. 10 m^o met by adjournment

Receiv'd an Epiſtle from the yearly Meeting, which was read, & the advice therein contain'd sent down, & recommended to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Quarter.

The committee appointed by the Yearly Meeting, to visit Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, have visited said Quarterly, & monthly Meetings & delivered their advice, which was read in this Meeting, & received, and is as followeth.

The Queries were read and anſwered in this Meeting in some degree to Satiſfaction

John Ruſsel, Thomas Wing, John Bailey, & James Rogers, are appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow, after the Meeting for Worship.

Met by adjournment, Repreſentatives all preſent.

Our Friend Aaron Lancaster attended this Meeting, whose Certificate was read to general Satiſfaction.

The friends appointed to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, preſented them, which were read, approved, and ſigned in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends for Sandwich held at the long plain 21. 11 m^o 1778.
The Repreſentatives called, are preſent, as followeth viz^t
For { Sandwich, Paul Jones, Joseph Bowerman, Daniel Wing & Jeremiah Auſtin
Pembroke, Joseph Rogers, Thomas Rogers, Joshua Dillingham, & John Baily Jun^r.

As there was no buſineſs appeared in this Meeting, in a degree of Love concluded, Signed in & on behalf of said Meeting by Richard Delano clerk.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 27. 3 mo. 1779.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging being called, the Repreſentatives present are as followeth viz.t

for { Sandwich. Richard Lake, Thomas Wing, & Peleg Dillano.
Pembroke, John Baily Jur. & Joseph Rogers.

The Queries were read & anſwered in this Meeting, some clear and ſatiſfactory, others not so clear, Friends are therefore desired to continue their care for an Amendment.

Our Friends Peleg Dillano, Jeremiah Auſtin, Joseph Rogers, John Baily Jur. Thomas Wing, Richard Lake, & Ebenezer Allen, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting next to be held at Smithfield, unleſs the way opens to hold it on Rhode Island.

The friends appointed to draw Accounts to ſaid Yearly Meeting are Peleg Dillano, John Baily Jur. Joseph Wing, Thomas Wing, Jeremiah Auſtin, Edward Wing, & Ebenezer Allen; who are directed to bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting, which is adjourn'd to tomorrow after the Meeting of Worſhip is over.

Met by adjournment, The friends from Falmouth request that the next Quarterly Meeting might be held there, which is concluded on in this Meeting.

The friends appointed to draw Accounts to the yearly Meeting brought them, which were read approved, & Signed by the Clerk.

It is concluded that the Records and all the papers belonging to the Quarterly Meeting, be Lodged with the Clerk.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich held at Pembroke, 2. 10 mo. 1779.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging called, whose Repreſentatives present are as followeth, (viz)

For { Sandwich, Jeremiah Auſtin Jur. Jonathan Tabor, and Peleg Dillano.
Pembroke, William Howland Jur. Isaac Keen, & Thomas Rogers

Our Friend David Sands attended this Meeting, with his Certificate from the nine Partners dated 5 mo. 1778. alſo our Friend Solomon Underhill, with his Certificate from Weſtbury, 6 mo. 1779. which were read in this Meeting, & were to ſatiſfaction.

The Queries were read & anſwered in this Meeting, some clear & ſatiſfactory, others not so clear as could be wiſh'd, wherefore Friends are deſired to labour for amendment.

The Epiſtle and minute of the Yearly Meeting in Philadelphia, with a recommendation from our Yearly Meeting, respecting schools, were read, and this Meeting appoints Ebenezer Allen, Jeremiah Auſtin John Bailey, Joseph Rogers, Samuel Bowerman, Joseph Wing & Jonathan Tabor, a Committee to adviſe & aſsist the ſeveral monthly Meetings in that matter, and make report of their doings to the Quarterly Meeting in the 3 mo next.

This Meeting appoints our Friends, Peleg Dillano, Ebenezer Allen, Joseph Rogers, John Bailey, and James Rogers, to transcribe the Epiſtle and neceſsary Accounts, to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting, which is to the 11 hour on 2d day next.

Met by adjournment, the Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, were brought by the friends appointed thereto, which were read, approved & signed by the clerk. as were alſo Certificates in behalf of our Friends David Sands, & Solomon Underhill.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at long plain 20.11 mo 1779

The ſeveral monthly Meetings being call'd, the representatives present are as followeth, viz.

For { Sandwich, Zaccheus Gifford, Jeremiah Auſtin, & Paul Wing.
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers, John Rogers Jur, & James Rogers.

The Meeting for ſufferings having inform'd this Meeting that the yearly Meeting Stock is nearly exhauſted, and money now wanting to support the poor, & to pay for reprinting Epiſtles, It is therefore recommended to the ſeveral monthly Meetings to ſubſcribe in their freedom, & send up the Money to the yearly meeting's Treaſurer as ſoon as may be, and the Clerk is deſired to ſend a Copy of this Minute to the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting.

This Meeting having taken into conſideration, the great need there is of an addition of suitable perſons to be chosen in the ſtation of Elders, do recommend to the ſeveral monthly Meetings to appoint such perſons in that ſervice, and as many of them as best Wiſdom may direct. & the Clerk is deſired to send copies of this minute to the ſeveral monthly Meetings

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 25.3 mo 1780.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging being call'd, the Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth, viz:

For { Sandwich, Thomas Wing, Zacheus Gifford, & Jeremiah Auſtin.
Pembroke, William Howland jun^{r} John Baily jun^{r} Mordicai Ellis J^{r}
& Joseph Rogers.

Reciev'd a number of printed Epiſtles from London dated 5 m^{o} 1779 alſo a number of printed ones from the National half year Meeting held in Dublin, dated 5 m^{o} 1778. one of which of each was read in this Meeting to general ſatiſfaction.

The Queries were read & anſwered in this Meeting.

The Committee that was appointed at the Quarterly Meeting in the 10 m^{o} last respecting Schools, make report that nothing hath been done in that matter as yet,

Our Friends John Ruſsel, Richard Dillano, John Bailey Ju^{r} & Thomas Wing, are appointed to draw Accounts to the Yearly Meeting, and bring to this Meeting's Adjourment.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow after the Meeting of Worship

The 26 day Met by adjournment, the friends that were appointed to draw Accounts to the Yearly Meeting, brought them, which were read approved, & Signed.

Our Friends Richard Dillano, Samuel Wing, Joseph Rogers, Thomas Rogers, Jeremiah Auſtin, John Ruſsell, Ebenezer Allen, Joseph Wing Ju^{r} & John Bailey Ju^{r} are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting next to be held at Rhode Island.

This Meeting concludes to meet, by divine permiſsion, the next time at Falmouth.

P.S. This Meeting hath rais'd, & sent to the Yearly Meeting
Treaſurer . . . . £4.6.6½ hard Money
83.3.–. paper

At a Quarterly Meeting of friends held at Falmouth 1. 7 m^{o} 1780.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd, whose Repreſentatives present are as followeth viz,

For { Sandwich, Zacheus Gifford, Thomas Wing, & Jonathan Tabor.
Pembroke, John Rogers, & James Rogers.

Reciev'd a written Epiſtle from London dated 5 m^{o} 1779, alſo a written one from the Yearly Meeting in Philadelphia, dated 9 m^{o} 1779. alſo one from the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, all of which were read in this Meeting to general ſatiſfaction, and are ordered to be copy'd, and ſent down to the ſeveral monthly Meetings for their Obſervation.

The Queries were read, and anſwered, in this Meeting.

At a Quarterly Meeting of friends, held at pembroke for Sandwich 7. 10 mo. 1780.

The Repreſentatives from the ſeveral monthly meetings being called, were preſent as followeth. viz.

For { Sandwich, John Ruſsel, Jeremiah Auſtin, Elijah Brailey, & Richard Dillans.
{ Pembroke, Isaac Barker, William Howland Jur. Joshua Dillingham, and James Rogers.

Richard Dillans is appointed Clerk for the Day.

According the appointment of the laſt yearly Meeting our Friends Jonathan Macy, Isaac Lawton, & Jacob Mott, attended this Meeting & inform'd that it was propoſed to annex Coaxet, Dartmouth, & Nantucket monthly Meetings Meetings to this Quarter, which after weighty deliberation, this Meeting concurr's with.

The Queries were read & anſwered in this Meeting. And as there is several deficiencies appear; Friends are deſired individually to be more watchful for the future.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at the Long Plain for Sandwich 18. 11 mo. 1780.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting call'd whose Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth viz.

For { Sandwich, Jeremiah Auſtin, Ebenezer Allen, & Joseph Wing.
{ Pembroke, no Account.

Bartholomew Tabor hath enter'd an Appeal in this Meeting, from the Judgment of the monthly Meeting of Sandwich in the 3 mo. laſt, and our Friends Samuel Gould, Joshua Dillingham, John Bailey Jur. James Rogers, & Richard Holder, are appointed a committee to hear and report their opinion thereof to the next Quarterly Meeting.

R.S. Raiſ'd and lodg'd in the hands of John Ruſsel to send to the Yearly Meeting Treasury £5.13.5 L. hard Money.

At a Quarterly Meeting of friends held at Sandwich 24. 3 mo. 1781

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd whoſe Repreſentatives present are as followeth, viz.

For { Sandwich, Jeremiah Auſtin Jr. Benjamin Swift, and Edward Wing.
{ Pembroke, John Rogers, Joseph Rogers, Joshua Dillingham, & Isaac Barker.

The Committee who were appointed at our laſt Quarterly Meeting to conſider on an appeal brought up by Bartholomew Taber from the

Judgment of a monthly Meeting of Sandwich held 3 m^{o} 1780, Report a confirmation of the former Judgment of ſaid monthly Meeting, which report is accepted.

Extracts from the Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting held at Newport on Rhode Island for 1780, was read in this Meeting to good ſatiſfaction.

The Queries were read & anſwered in this Meeting,

Our friends Richard Dillano, William Lake, John Ruſsel, Joseph Rogers, Isaac Barker, & Ebenezer Allen, are appointed to draw Accounts to the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island next. and bring to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow, at the breaking up of the Meeting for Worſhip.

25 day, met by adjournment. The friends appointed to draw Accounts to the Yearly Meeting, brought them, which were read, approved, & ſigned in this Meeting.

It is concluded to hold our next Quarterly Meeting at Falmouth.

Our Friends Jeremiah Auſton, Ebenezer Allen, Joseph Rogers, Richard Dillano, John Ruſsell, Joseph Wing, Jeremiah Auſtin Ju^{r}. Ebenezer Wing, & Benjamin Barker, are appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting next for Rhode Island.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Falmouth, for Sandwich, 30. 6 m^{o}. 1781.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging called, whoſe Repreſentatives preſent are as followeth, viz^{t}.

For { Sandwich, Zaccheus Gifford, Richard Delano, & Paul Wing.
{ Pembroke, John Rogers, Mordicai Ellis, & William Howland.

The Repreſentatives of this Meeting who attended the Yearly Meeting; with Moſes Brown, and Eber Chaſe, who attend this Meeting by appointment of said Yearly Meeting, Inform this Meeting that Nantucket monthly Meeting is annex'd to this Quarterly Meeting, which this Meeting accepts, and it appears that Nantucket has appointed Representatives to attend this Meeting
who are { Jonathan Macy, Silvanus Macy, Daniel Starbuck
{ William Rotch Ju^{r}. Peleg Coggeſhall, & Paul Gardner Ju^{r}.
{ all present

The Queries were read, and anſwered in this Meeting, from the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, by which it appears that there are yet many weakneſses, & deficiencies, yet this

Meeting is comforted to hear that there is a care rests on the minds of Friends that things may be better in future.

Reciev'd an Epiſtle from the yearly Meeting, which was read in this Meeting to ſatiſfaction, and is ordered to be tranſcrib'd, & sent down to the ſeveral monthly Meetings for their notice and observation.

The Yearly Meetings committee having laid the concern of that Meeting on account of the ſelect meetings of that Quarter's being drop'd; and recommended a revival thereof; which this Meeting approving recommends to the several monthly Meetings, that solid attention be be paid to the neceſsary concern, and that they proceed in the Wisdom of truth, to fill up the waſte places, and make such enlargements by the appointment of such friends as may be ſuitably Qualified for ſoldiers, that in future the ſelect Meetings may be reviv'd & kept up in such manner as most effectually to anſwer the Institution thereof.

Our Friend James Thornton attended this Meeting, on a religious visit; and produced a Certificate from Abington monthly Meeting, province of Penſylvania; our friend Samuel Smith attended in like manner, & produc'd a Certificate from Philadelphia, dated 4 mo 1781. also our friend Thomas Carrington attended; with his Certificate from the monthly Meeting of New Garden, Cheſter County, Penſylvania. alſo our Friend Warner Mifflin, attended, with his Certifiate from the monthly Meeting of duck Creek in Kent County on Delaware. alſo our Friend David Cooper attended with his Certificate from the monthly Meeting of Haddonfield New Jerſey, alſo our friend George Churchman attended with his Certificate from the monthly Meeting of Nottingham in Cecil County, Maryland, all of which Certificates were read in this Meeting to general ſatiſfaction, and and the friends labours acceptable.

This Meeting adjourns to the ninth hour Tomorrow.

1. 7 mo. Met by adjournment, the representatives called were all present, As there is some extracts of the Yearly Meeting not come to hand, the Clerk is deſir'd if they should come to hand, to have them tranſcribed & forwarded to the ſeveral monthly Meetings.

This Meeting concludes that the Quarterly Meetings for the Year enſuing be held as followeth, viz. at long plain the 3rd day before the 2nd 6th day in the 10 mo, At Pembroke the 1st 6th Day of the first month. at Sandwich 6th of 3rd mo. before the last 1st day. at Nantucket the 2nd day after the 4th 6th Day of the sixth Month.

At a Quarterly Meeting of friends held at the long plain for Sandwich 9: 10 mo 1781.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd. whoſe Repreſentatives preſent, are as followeth, viz.

For { Sandwich; Richard Delano, Jeremiah Auſtin, Barnabas Hoxie and Judah Bowerman.
Pembroke, John Bailey Jur. James Rogers, and John Rogers.

From Nantucket, no Accounts.

Reciev'd an Abſtract from the yearly Meeting minutes laſt, held at Smithfield for new England, which was read in this Meeting to ſatiſfaction, and the Clerk is deſired to furniſh each monthly Meeting with a copy thereof, which hath not been heretofore done, by reaſon of their not coming to hand til now.

An Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting in London 1781, alſo one from the yearly Meeting held on long Island, alſo one from the Yearly meeting held in Philadelphia 1780. were read in this Meeting to ſatiſfaction, and are ordered to be ſent down to the ſeveral monthly Meetings.

The Quries were read in this Meeting and anſwered from Sandwich & Pembroke, but no Accounts from Nantucket.

Sandwich monthly Meeting hath appointed our Friends Benjamin Swift, John Ruſsel, & Richard Dillano, to the ſtation of Elders, and Pembroke monthly Meeting hath appointed John Baily Jur. & Mary Baily to that ſtation, & having had communication with the woman on the Subject and there appearing no objection they are approved of, and the Clerk is deſired to inform (the ſelect Quarterly Meeting) the ſelect Quarterly Meeting therewith.

Our Friend Thomas Hazard attended at this time, being under appointment by the Yearly Meeting to visit this quarterly Meeting, which was ſatiſfactory to us.

The appointments of the ſeveral monthly Meetings reſpecting Elders is ſo far ſatiſfactory to this Meeting, but yet diſsatisfactory as they have ſent no accounts, whether there is a further concern to fill up the waſte places, and to make such an Addition as may be neceſsary to anſwer the End of their Inſtitution.

The Clerk is deſired to furniſh the ſeveral monthly Meetings with a Copy of this Minute.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke for Sandwich 4. 1 mo. 1782

The ſeveral monthly meetings hereunto belonging call'd, whoſe Repreſentatives present are as followeth,

For { Sandwich, Samuel Wing, Paul Jones, Richard Delano, Ruſsel
Braley, Benjamin Swift, & Joseph Wing.
Pembroke, Samuel Gould, Robert Eastes, & James Rogers.

From Nantucket no Account.

Richard Dillano is appointed Clerk for the Day.

The Queries were read, and anſwers from Sandwich, & Pembroke.

The Clerk with the Aſsistance of Jeremiah Auſtin, are deſired to inform Nantucket Friends that this Meeting noticed their Non-attendance, & to deſire their future Care.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 30. 3 mo. 1782.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging being call'd, the Repreſentatives are.

For { Sandwich, Samuel Wing, John Ruſsel, & Benjamin Swift.
Pembroke, John Rogers, James Rogers, Isaac Keen, & Joshua
Dillingham.
Nantucket, William Rotch, Samuel Starbuck, & Jethro
Mitchel, Daniel Starbuck, & Hezekiah Starbuck

Receiv'd an Account from of Friends of Nantucket directed to our last Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke, ſignifying the reasons why they could not attend the Quarterly meeting in the 10 mo., which was their harbour being block'd up with arm'd boats, and the ſeaſon of the year rendred it impracticable for them to attend the Quarterly Meeting in the 1st mo., which reaſons are accepted by this Meeting.

The Queries were read (read) in this Meeting, and anſwered from all the monthly Meetings belonging to this Meeting, and ſundry Remarks made, & ſuitable advice given.

It appearing to this Meeting that our Friends at Long Plain and Rocheſter are under ſufferings on account of a number of diſown'd Members meeting at the ſame time that friends meet to worſhip, under a pretext that they are owners in the Houſe, which this Meeting thinks fit to lay before the yearly Meeting for their aſsistance in the Matter.

This Meeting being under a weighty ſenſe of the Situation of the two Meetings above mentioned, do appoint our friends Joshuah Dillingham, John Briley, Jonathan Macy, Richard Delano, Joseph Wing, Paul Wing, Jeremiah Auſtin, Jethro Mitchel, & William Rotch, a Committee to visit Long plain, & Rocheſter Meetings, and such other Meetings in Sandwich monthly Meeting as they may think needful, and report to next or ſome future Quarterly Meeting.

Our eſteemed Friend William Jackson attended this Meeting on a religious visit, and produced a Certificate from new Garden monthly Meeting, Chester County, Penſilvania, dated 1 mo 1781. alſo a copy of a minute from said Meeting dated 3 mo 1781. whose Gospel Labour was ſatiſfactory to us.

Our Friends Isaac Barker, Richard Delano, Samuel Starbuck, and Richard Lake; are appointed to draw Accounts to the Yearly Meeting, and a Certificate in behalf of our friend William Jackson.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow, after the Meeting for Worship is over.

31.st Met by adjournment, the Accounts prepar'd for the Yearly Meeting, with the Queries, & general Anſwers were read, which were approved & ſigned, and ſent by the Repreſentatives.

A minute of the last yearly Meeting respecting Nantucket monthly Meeting being annex'd to this Quarterly Meeting, is ordered to be recorded, and the Clerk is deſired to do it.

The friends Certificate above mentioned is refer'd to the next Quarterly Meeting.

Our Friends Jeremiah Auſtin, John Bailey Jun.r William Rotch, Joseph Wing, Jonathan Macy, Richard Delano, Joseph Rogers, Ebenezer Allen, John Ruſsel, & Daniel Starbuck, are appointed to attend the yearly Meeting, as Representatives.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich held on Nantucket 1. 7 mo. 1782.

The Representatives from the ſeveral monthly Meetings are.

For { Sandwich, Richard Delano, Jeremiah Auſtin, & Joseph Wing Jun.r
Pembroke, John Baily, James Rogers, & Joshua Dillingham.
Nantucket, Shubael Coffin, Peleg Folger, & Jethro Mitchel.

All present except Joseph Wing Jun.r who was prevented attending by his Family being Indiſpos'd.

Our Eſteemed Friend George Dilwin attended this Meeting on a religious Visit, and produced a Certificate from the monthly Meeting held at Burlington, 4. 3 mo 1782. which was read in this Meeting and was to ſatiſfaction.

The Committee appointed at our laſt Quarterly Meeting to visit long plain, & Rocheſter Meetings have not so fully accompliſhed their Viſit as to report to this Meeting, wherefore they are continued.

The friends who were appointed at our last quarterly Meeting to attend the yearly Meeting, report, that they all attended accordingly, except Richard Dillano, who has rendered a ſatiſfactory Reaſon.

Receiv'd a tranſcript of an Epistle from the last Yearly Meeting in London, also one from the Yearly Meeting in Pennsylvania of 9 mo 1781. alſo one from the Yearly Meeting of Weſtbury, 5 mo 1782. also a few lines from our yearly Meeting held at Rhode Island in the last month, all of which were read in this Meeting to ſatiſfaction. and tranſcripts of them are directed to be sent down to each monthly Meeting belonging to this Meeting

The monthly Meeting of Pembroke informs this Meeting that they have appointed Mary Rogers to the ſtation of an Elder, which this Meeting concurr's with, and Peleg Folger is deſired to inform the select Meeting thereof.

The Queries were read and answered in this Meeting.

The times and places of holding our Quarterly Meeting the enſuing Year coming under the conſideration of this Meeting. our Friends Peleg Folger, John Baily, Ebenezer Allen, Jeremiah Auſtin, Jonathan Macy, Richard Mitchel Jun.r & John Rogers, are appointed a committee to consider and conclude on the above matter, & report to the adjournment of this Meeting; alſo to prepare Certificates for our friends George Dilwin, William Jackson, & Joseph Perſall, & return to ſaid Adjournment.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow after the meeting of Worship.

Second Day. Met by adjournment, the Repreſentatives who attended yesterday are all present.

A certificate on behalf of our esteemed Friend George Dilwin to the monthly Meeting of Burlington in new Jerſey, alſo one in behalf of our Eſteemed Friend William Jackson to the monthly Meeting of New Garden Cheſter county Pennſylvania, were read, & signed by the Clerk, as was also a few Lines on behalf of our friend Joseph Perſall.

The Committee appointed to consider and conclude on the times and places of holding our Quarterly Meeting the enſuing year, have reported, which was accepted, and is as followeth.

At Pembroke, the 1st 7th day in the 10 mo.
Falmouth, the 1st 6th day in the 1 mo.
Sandwich, the 7 day before the last 1st day in the 3 mo.
Nantucket, the 3 day after after the 4th 6th day in the 6 mo.

Our esteemed Friend Sarah Hampton being here on a religious Viſit, produced a Certificate from the monthly meeting of plainfield for Rahaway, & plainfield new Jersey dated 4 mo 1781. which was read to ſatiſfaction, and a Certificate being produced in this Meeting, directed to the above monthly Meeting on her behalf, was read approved of, & signed by the Clerk, alſo her companion Anna Wyllis, produced a copy of a Minute from a monthly Meeting held at Weſtbury on long Island, which was read to ſatiſfaction, and an Endorſment back to ſaid Meeting in her behalf, was signed herein by the Clerk.

This Meeting having no more to do at present concludes.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Pembroke 5. 10 mo. 1782

The Representatives are Richard Delano, Saul Wing, Joshua Dillingham, Joseph Rogers, Benjamin Barker, Robert Estis, Shubael Coffin, & Jethro Mitchel.

Nantucket monthly Meeting informs that they have appointed Alice Starbuck in the ſtation of an Elder which this Meeting concurs with.

The Extracts from the Yearly Meeting Minutes having been read in this Meeting, we do, agreeable to the Advice of ſaid Meeting, appoint Jethro Mitchel, & Joseph Rogers Members of the Meeting for ſufferings, and the Clerk is deſired to inform ſaid Meeting for ſufferings therewith.

The yearly Meeting having concluded to raiſe fifty Pounds to ſupply the ſtock of ſaid Meeting, Friends are deſired to contribute thereto in their freedom at their monthly Meetings, and send their contributions to the Yearly Meeting Treaſurer, with an account thereof to the next Yearly Meeting.

The Friends that were appointed at our Quarterly Meeting in the third month laſt, to viſit long Plain, & Rocheſter first day Meetings make report in writing, which being read ſeveral times & weightily conſidered, was accepted, and is as follows, & The ſaid Committee is ſtil continued for ſaid Service, and our Friends John Wing, James Rogers, Shubael Coffin, Zaccheus Gifford, & William Howland Jur. are appointed to joyn them in ſaid Service, and report to the Next Quarterly Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to tomorrow at the concluſion of the Meeting for worſhip.

6. day, met by adjournment, the Repreſentatives present.

The Queries were read and anſwered in this Meeting, some of which were to ſatisfaction, altho many weakneſses, & deficiencies stil remain among us, to which ſuitable & pertinent advice was given,

The Committee appointed by the Yearly Meeting to attend thiſ Meeting, or the major part of them, attended, whose company hath been to ſatiſfaction.

It is recommended to the ſeveral monthly Meetings to appoint ſuitable perſons, both men, & women, to visit the Families of friends and to Endeavour to ſtir them up to the duties expreſs'd in the 1st & 9th Queries & all other Branches of our Christian Teſtimony, as beſt wisdom shall direct, and the Clerk is deſired to ſend copies of this Minute to the ſeveral monthly Meetings.

This Meeting concludes.

The following are records of Minutes never before recorded, which having been out of knowledge, are come to hand ſince the foregoing were recorded & tranſcrib'd, beginning with that of 24.4 mo. 1707. and extending in a ſucceſsive ſort, to that of 10.10 mo. 1757.

At our Quarterly Meeting 24.4 mo 1707. at the Houſe of Edward Wanton.

Sandwich Meeting being call'd on, William Gifford appeared. no buſineſs from thence.

Scituate Meeting being call'd on, Edward Wanton appeared.

No buſineſs preſenting, Friends are deſired to take care that all ſufferings are brought in to each monthly Meeting, and from thence carried to the Quarterly Meeting in order.

Friends are deſired to be careful to make choice of three Friends of the monthly Meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting they properly belong to. and the Clerk of the monthly Meeting to certify the Clerk of the Quarterly Meeting who they are.

At our Quarterly Meeting held 29. 4 mo. 1708 at the houſe of Edward Wanton.

Sandwich Meeting being called — No body appeared.

Scituate Meeting being called Edward Wanton & John Rogers appeared. ——— No buſineſs preſented.

At our Quarterly Meeting held 4. 8 mo. 1708. at the houſe of Edward Wanton.

Sandwich Meeting being called on, John Dillingham appeared.

Scituate meeting called on, but through miſtake the laſt monthly Meeting, no perſon was appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting.

There having been a report ſpread abroad that Friends of Sandwich have invited Rowland Cotton Prieſt of Sandwich, to preach in their Meeting houſe, and that Friends had paid him for the ſame; which being Inquired into we find the report to be falſe, as appears by a paper under their owne hands at their monthly Meeting the 1st. 8 mo 1708 ſigned by ſeveral Friends of the ſaid monthly Meeting.

At our Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke 5. 8 mo. 1741

The Meetings thereunto belonging called upon — No Account from Sandwich nor Rocheſter — The Epiſtles from London & Pembroke were both read to ſatisfaction — Samuel Hopwood from old England

William Brown & John Griffith from Pennſylvania attended this Meeting, whoſe Certificates were read, & kindly accepted.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke, 4. 8 mo. 1742.

The ſeveral Meetings thereto belonging called, there appeared,

For { Sandwich, Stephen Wing
Pembroke, Mathew Eſtes, & Edward Eaſtes.

The Epiſtle from London, giving very good advice, was read, & kindly accepted, as were alſo the Epiſtles from Rocheſter, & Pembroke.

Whereas there hath been a propoſal made by ſome friends, that this quarterly Meeting be ſhortned, that is to begin as uſual and to end the firſt day following, and the morning meeting to be on the ſeventh Day, and the meeting for Buſineſs to be in the afternoon, after the Meeting for Worſhip. this Meeting appoints Caleb Barker, John Chapman, & Mathew Eſtes, to draw Epiſtles to each monthly meeting hereunto belonging, & to insert therein the propoſals in the Yearly Meeting Epiſtle for reprinting George Foxes Primers.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke 10.8 mo. 1743.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings called on.

John Mendel, Joseph Wing, & Solomon Hoxie, are preſent from Sandwich

Reciev'd an Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting held in Rocheſter, alſo one from Pembroke monthly meeting, which were read, & kindly accepted.

John Chapman, and Edward Eſtes, are preſent from Pembroke.

Reciev'd an Epiſtle from London yearly Meeting, which was read and kindly accepted.

This Meeting hath appointed Caleb Barker to go to Samuel Pope, & Elijah Collins, for the Books belonging to this Quarterly Meeting, being 34 in Number, 17 for Sandwich, & 17 for Pembroke.

This Meeting appoints Mathew Eſtes, & Caleb Barker, to draw Epiſtles from this Meeting to each monthly Meeting, & ſign the ſame —— No Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting at Newport.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke 8.8 mo. 1744.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings thereunto belonging called on.

For Sandwich appeared Eliſha Wing.

For Pembroke, Edward Eſtes, & John Rogers Jur.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from the monthly Meetings of Sandwich & Pembroke, which were read to acceptance, no Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting in New Port. nor from London.

This Meeting appoints Caleb Barker, & Mathew Eſtes, to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, & to ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke 7.8 mo 1745.

The several monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, called on.

For Sandwich, appeared Elisha Wing, Nickolas Davis, & John Mendel

For Pembroke, Caleb Barker, & John Rogers Jur.

Receiv'd Epiſtles from Sandwich & Pembroke monthly Meetings, which were read, & kindly accepted.

The complaint of Isaac Walker, which was refer'd from last quarterly Meeting, held in Sandwich to this Meeting, is conſidered of; and this Meeting appoints Elijah Collins, Samuel Pope, John Mendal, John Howland and Benjamin Buffinton, to hear said complaint, and to determine the ſame, and to make report to this Meeting.

Receiv'd an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting held on Rhode Island, in the 4 mo 1745. which was read, & kindly accepted, alſo a written Epiſtle from London, which was read, and it is deſired that the Contents thereof may be obſerv'd by all Friends, and this meeting directs that the Clerk of the monthly Meeting do read the ſame in the monthly Meeting, and then record it in the monthly meeting Book.

This Meeting appoints Edward Eſtes, and Caleb Barker, to draw Epiſtles to the monthly Meetings hereto belonging, and to sign the ſame.

The Committee appointed to hear & determine the complaint of Isaac Walker, have brought in their report, viz, that Isaac Walker ought to, and it is their advice, that he do ſet down ſatiſfied with the proceedings relating thereto.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke 10. 8 mo 1748.

The ſeveral monthly Meetings called upon.

For Sandwich, appeared Stephen Wing, & Benjamin Wing.

For Pembroke, John Chapman, & John Rogers.

Receiv'd an Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting, held at Rocheſter, alſo one from Pembroke monthly Meeting, alſo one from the Yearly Meeting held in London; which were read to ſatisfaction.

This Meeting receives a complaint by Silveſter Barker againſt the monthly Meeting of Pembroke, for that they did not grant her an appeal from their Judgment concerning her denial, as by ſaid Complaint may appear; This meeting taking the same under their conſideration, do order ſaid monthly Meeting to grant her the ſaid Silveſter Barker an appeal. -

This Meeting doth appoint Mathew Eſtes, and Caleb Barker to draw Epiſtles to the monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, & to insert therein the affair of Alice Howard, and to ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke 9.8 mo 1749.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called upon.
For Sandwich appear'd Jabez Hiller, and Stephen Bowerman.
For Pembroke John Chapman, & John Rogers Junr.,

Reciev'd an Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting held at Rocheſter, which was read & kindly accepted, alſo the yearly Epiſtle from London, which was read, and the advice therein, recommended to our obſervation.

This Meeting appoints Mathew Eſtes, & Caleb Barker, to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, and to sign the ſame.

No Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting held on Rhode Iſland in 4 mo last.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke 7.8 mo 1750.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd upon.
For Sandwich appeared, John Mendal.
For Pembroke, John Chapman, and John Rogers Junr.

Receiv'd Epiſtles from Sandwich monthly Meeting held at Rocheſter, alſo one from the monthly Meeting of Pembroke, which were read to ſatisfaction, Also reciev'd a Certificate from the monthly Meeting of Ratliff, in old England, in behalf of our Friend Mary Weſton, now travelling in theſe parts, alſo one from the monthly Meeting of Philadelphia, in behalf of our friend Grace Fisher, alſo travelling in theſe parts, which were read in this Meeting to ſatisfaction.

This Meeting appoints Mathew Eſtes, & Caleb Barker, to draw an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting, and ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke 7.8 mo 1751.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called on.
For Sandwich appeared John Mendal, & Shubael Barlow,
For Pembroke, John Rogers Junr., & William Eſtes.

Reciev'd an Epistle from Sandwich monthly Meeting held at Rocheſter, alſo one from the monthly Meeting of Pembroke, which were read to ſatisfaction.

The Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting held in London in 4 mo 1750. was read to our Comfort, and ſatisfaction, as alſo a Certificate, or Recommendation from the monthly Meeting held at nine partners, of Lydia Sole, concerning her viſiting these parts on a religious Account, was read and well accepted.

This Meeting appoints John Rogers Junr. and William Eſtes, to draw to draw an Epiſtle to each monthly Meeting, & sign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke 9. 10 mo 1752.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called on.
For Sandwich appeared, Nicholas Davis, and Nathan Davis
For Pembroke, John Dillingham, and John Rogers Junr

Reciev'd an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting in London, & the Committee's report for the alteration of Time, which was read to good ſatiſfaction, alſo reciev'd an Epiſtle from the yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, alſo one from the monthly Meeting of Sandwich, alſo one from the monthly Meeting of Pembroke, which were read & kindly accepted

This Meeting appoints Caleb Barker, and Mathew Eſtes, to draw Epiſtles to the monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, and sign the ſame.

Reciev'd the ſum of fourty Eight pounds from Sandwich monthly Meeting, and eighteen pounds, from Pembroke monthly Meeting, which this Meeting hath sent by Nicholas Davis to Rhode Island, to pay for the Books ſpoken for by us.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke 8. 10 mo 1753.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto called on.
For Sandwich appeared John Mendal, Roger Braley, Nathaniel Davis, and Timothy Davis.
For Pembroke, John Rogers Junr John Dillingham, & John Rogers.

Reciev'd an Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting which was read and kindly accepted, also one from Pembroke was read, & a remark of the Neglecting the attendance of week day Meetings, wherefore this Meeting deſires that friends in general would be ſtirred up to a diligent attendance thereof and that they be reminded thereof in the Epistle from this Meeting.

Reciev'd an Epistle from the Yearly Meeting held in London 1752. which was read, and it is the deſire of this Meeting that every particular that makes profeſſion of the truth, do put the advice therein given in practice, alſo an Epiſtle from the yearly Meeting in newport in 6 mo last, which was read to ſatiſfaction.

This Meeting appoints William Eſtes, & Robert Barker, to draw Epiſtles to the monthly Meetings hereunto belonging, and sign the ſame, the Yearly Meeting at Greenwich to be held the laſt first day in the 5 mo & at Warwick the seventh day before it.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke, 7. 10 mo 1754
The ſeveral monthly Meetings thereto belonging call'd on.
For Sandwich appeared Stephen Bowerman & Nathan Davis.
For Pembroke Robert Barker, & William Eſtes.

Reciev'd an Epiſtle from Sandwich monthly Meeting, which was read & kindly accepted, and whereas therein is contain'd the appeal of Judah Allen to this Meeting from the Judgment of the monthly Meeting, concerning the difference between Edward Wing & himſelf, this Meeting hath choſen Isaac Pierce, Roger Braley, & Mathew Estes, a committee to hear the ſaid appeal, and to determine the ſame, & make report to this Meeting, Reciev'd alſo an Epiſtle from Pembroke monthly Meeting, alſo one from the Yearly Meeting held in London dated 1753. which were read to general Satiſfaction.

The Committee appointed to hear & determine in the Caſe of Judah Allen make report, that they dont find either of them to blame, it being done through a miſunderſtanding between them two.

This Meeting appoints Robert Barker Jun^r. & William Estes, to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, & ſign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke 4. 10 m^o 1756.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called on.
For Sandwich appeared, John Mendal, & Elisha Wing Ju^r.
For Pembroke, Robet Barker, & William Eſtes,

Reciev'd an Epistle from Sandwich monthly Meeting, alſo one from Pembroke monthly Meeting, alſo one from the Yearly Meeting in London, alſo one from the general Spring Meeting held at Philadelphia, alſo the Queries from the yearly Meeting held at Newport in the sixth month laſt, which were all read to ſatiſfaction. as were alſo the Certificates of our Friends Peter Davis, & John Caſey, from their reſpective Meetings.

This Meeting appoints Caleb Barker, & Mathew Estes, to draw Epiſtles to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, & sign the ſame, and to inſert therein concerning the alteration of the Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke, as in the Epiſtle from pembroke monthly Meeting to this Meeting, reference thereto being had.

At a Quarterly Meeting held in Pembroke 4. 10 m^o 1756.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings called on.
For Sandwich appeared, John Mendal, & Nathan Davis.
For Pembroke, Robert Barker, & Edward Dillingham.

Reciev'd Epiſtles from Sandwich, and Pembroke monthly Meetings; which were read to ſatisfaction, and the request of Pembroke monthly Meeting is to be ſent to each monthly Meeting & the Epiſtles.

From Sandwich were the Queries read & anſwered, but no anſwers to them from Pembroke.

Reciev'd an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting held in London which was read to ſatiſfaction

Reciev'd Certificates from the monthly Meeting at nine partners shewing that they had Unity with Phebe Farris, & Mary Chaſe, in their religious visit in our parts.

This Meeting appoints Caleb Barker, and Mathew Estes, to draw Epiſtles to the monthly Meetings, and Sign the ſame.

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Pembroke 10. 10 mo 1757.
The ſeveral monthly Meetings hereunto belonging call'd on,
For Sandwich appeared, John Sherman, & Nathan Davis.
For Pembroke, Thomas Rogers, & Robert Barker Jur.

Reciev'd an Epiſtle from Sandwich, with anſwers to the Queries which was accepted, alſo reciev'd an Epiſtle from Pembroke, which was read, but no Anſwer to the Queries. alſo reciev'd an Epiſtle from the yearly Meeting held in London 1756, which was read to mutual comfort, alſo reciev'd an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting held at Newport this preſent Year, which was likewiſe read to ſatiſfaction.

John Chapman complains that he was refused from last Quarterly Meeting to this, which is refer'd to a Committee to Determine viz John Sherman, John Mendal, Stephen Wing, Nathan Davis and Jabez Wing.

The following pertains to the ſetting off the monthly Meeting of Nantucket to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting.

Agreable to the appointment of the Yearly Meeting, we have visited Sandwich Quarterly and monthly Meetings, and friends of ſaid Meetings expreſsd that it was agreable to them, that Dartmouth, Acoaxet, and Nantucket monthly Meetings should be annex'd to Sandwich Quarter, if the Yearly Meeting thought it best.— We have alſo had a conference with Committee's appointed from Dartmouth, Acoaxet, and Nantucket monthly Meetings, respecting their being remov'd, from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting, and annex'd to Sandwich, and find in them a Diſpoſition to be diſpoſ'd of as the Yearly Meeting should think best.

Jacob Mott.
Jonathan Mury
Isaac Lawton

Many Friends expreſsing their ſence thereof, it is concluded that Nantucket monthly Meeting be now ſet off to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting. Therefore Thomas Hazard, Joseph Mitchel, Eber Chaſe, Moſes Brown, Stephen Sweat Jur. James Neal, & Isaac Lawton, are appointed to viſit that Quarterly Meeting, ſit with, and inform them of this conluſion, and ſee that this Minute be enter'd on their Minutes, as alſo to endeavour their uniting together in a right manner. —— And as the ſelect Yearly Meeting have inform'd this Meeting that Sandwich Quarterly Meeting do not keep up a ſelect Meeting, which information being really affecting, said committee are advis'd, to adviſe that Quarter to revive their select Meeting. and carefully observe to send up regular & pertinent Accounts to the ſelect yearly Meeting, of those matters which it concerns ſaid Meeting to know, that so proper advice may be communicated as occaſion may require, and report to next Yearly Meeting.

Said Committee are alſo deſired to visit Rhode Island Quarter, & conſult with them upon the propriety of ſetting off Dartmouth & Acoaxet monthly Meetings to Sandwich Quarter, and after feeling for the State of things, to report their ſenſe, what may be beſt to do in that caſe, to next yearly Meeting,

And the Clerk is directed to ſend a Copy of this Minute, to Sandwich Quarterly, and Nantucket monthly Meetings — and Nantucket friends are deſired to attend that Quarterly Meeting from time to time, as many of them as conveniently can.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Falmouth for Sandwich 3.1 m^o 1783.

The Representatives are, Zaccheus Gifford, Ebenezer Allen, Richard Delano, Jeremiah Auſtin Jun^r., Barnabas Wing, Isaac Keen, Joseph Rogers, John Baley, & James Rogers.

The Committee heretofore appointed to visit long Plain & Rocheſter monthly Meetings, are not all present, nor able to make report, to this Meeting, the matter is therefore refer'd to next Quarterly Meeting, when they are deſired to make report.

The Queries were read, & anſwered in this Meeting.

Pembroke monthly Meeting informs that they have raiſ'd one Pound ſixteen ſhillings & sixpence, for the yearly Meetings Stock, & have sent it to the Treaſury.

This Meeting hath not reciev'd any Account from our Brethren of Nantucket monthly Meeting.

The matters before the Meeting being all considered, the Meeting ends.

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 29.3 m^o. 1783.

The Repreſentatives appointed by the ſeveral monthly Meetings are as followeth.

For { Sandwich; John Ruſsell, Richard Dillano, Zaccheus Gifford,
& Ebenezer Allen.
Nantucket, Jethro Mitchel, Obed Marshall, Samuel Rodman
Hezekiah Starbuck, Elisha Macy, & Joseph Harris.
Pembroke, Joshua Dillingham & William Howland.

Who all attended Exept William Howland, who was neceſsarily absent

Our Friend Ebenezer Allen, requesting a diſmiſsion from the Service of being Clerk to this Meeting, the Meeting concludes to comply with his request, and doth appoint Samuel Rodman, to act in that Capacity at this time.

An account from Nantucket Monthly Meeting, dated 12m^o 30 1782, directed to our laſt Quarter, not being rendered at that time, the reaſons for which being aſsign'd by one of their representatives is ſatisfactory to us.— they therein make mention of the appointment of our Friends Lois Macy and Elisabeth Rotch, to the Station of Elders, with which this Meeting doth concurr. and our Friend Jeremiah Auſtin is requeſted to inform the ſelect Meeting thereof.

Nantucket monthly Meeting inform, that they have, agreeable to the recommendation of this Meeting, for ſupplying the Yearly

Meeting treasury subscribed nine pounds. Sandwich monthly Meeting inform that they have likewise raised for the aforementioned purpose £4.,14.,4½ which with £1.16.6 raised by Pembroke monthly Meeting, & entered in the minutes of last Quarter, making £15.,11.,2½. is forwarded to the yearly Meeting treasurer.

Accounts from the ſeveral monthly Meetings belonging to this Quarter were reciev'd and read, with Anſwers to the Queries, wherefrom general Answers were compiled, which with an Account from this Meeting are directed to be forwarded to the next yearly Meeting by our Friends Jonathan Macy, Jethro Mitchel, Jeremiah Auſtin, Richard Delano, John Baley, Samuel Rodman, Joseph Rogers, John Wing Ju:, Joseph Wing, & John Ruſſell, whom we have appointed as Repreſentatives.

The Committee who are under appointment to visit long Plain & Rocheſter first day Meetings, not being qualified to make Report to this Meeting, that matter is referred under their care til next Quarter, when they are deſired to make Report if they conveniently can.

The buſineſs being finiſh'd, this Meeting concludes.

Sign'd ℘ Samuel Rodman
Clerk at this time.

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Nantucket for Sandwich 1st & 2nd. 7th mo 1783.

The Repreſentatives appointed by the ſeveral monthly Meetings are as followeth

For Sandwich, John Ruſſell, Joseph Wing, Stephen Bowerman and Ruſſell Brailey.
Pembroke, Isaac Barker, John Baily, & Joshua Dillingham.
Nantucket, Stephen Macy, Jethro Mitchel, & Obed Marſhall

who all attended except Joshua Dillingham, who ſent a written Excuſe on account of Sickneſs in his Family which was ſatisfactory.

Samuel Rodman is appointed Clerk to the Meeting for this Time.

We reciev'd an Epiſtle from the Yearly Meeting held at Newport for Rhode Island, from 13. to the 17. of the 6mo last, which was read in this Meeting to our ſatisfaction, and the Clerk is directed to ſend tranſcripts thereof, as well as of such parts from the Diſcipline, as is therein particularly recommended, to (the attention of) the monthly Meetings, by the hands of the Repreſentatives.

The Queries with Anſwers thereto from the ſeveral monthly Meetings were read in the presence of both Men & Women, whereupon many Seaſonable & feeling observations were made by ſeveral of the yearly Meetings

Committee, appointed to visit Quarterly & monthly Meetings, with whoſe Company we have been favour'd, endeavouring to excite the attention of this Meeting to a more full coming up, and discharging of our Duty, agreeable to Truth's requirings.

Jeremiah Auſtin, John Bailey, Peleg Folger, John Ruſsell, William Rotch, and Hezekiah Starbuck, are appointed a Committee, to take into conſideration the manner of holding this Quarterly Meeting for the Year Enſuing, who are desired to confer with the friends appointed by the womens Meeting thereupon, and likewise to conſult the Yearly Meeting Committee upon the manner of holding it in future, and make report to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour tomorrow morning.

2nd Day, Met by adjournment.

The Representatives being called, are all present that attended Yeſterday.

The Committee appointed to visit long plain, & Rocheſter firſt day Meetings, not being qualified to make report, the matter is again refer'd under their care til next Quarter.

Jeremiah Auſtin informs that he has acquainted the ſelect Meeting of the appointment of Lois Macy, and Elisabeth Rotch to the ſtation of Elders, agreeable to appointment.

Accounts from the ſeveral monthly Meetings were reciev'd and read in this Meeting, whereby it appears that Nantucket Meeting hath compleated a general visit to the families of their Members, agreeable to a recommendation from this Quarter, in the 10 mo last.

Tranſcripts of Epiſtles from the Yearly Meetings of Philadelphia dated 9 mo last, and Westbury on long Iſland, dated 5 mo last, were read in this Meeting to Satiſfaction, which are directed to be forwarded to the ſeveral monthly Meetings, as well as the London written Epiſtle, which was likewise read in this Meeting yesterday to our ſatiſfaction.

Agreeable to a recommendation of the Yearly Meeting we appoint Richard Mitchel Junr, John Bailey, John Ruſsell, Isaac Barker, William Huſsey, & Joseph Wing, a Committee to visit such Members of this Meeting as have held and manumitted Slaves, and alſo those so manumitted, and to labour to have a proper & equitable ſettlement made of matters relative to outward Intereſt between them, & alſo to adviſe and Encourage those who have been held as Slaves, in a religious & virtuous life, and make report of their progreſs to our next

Quarterly Meeting.

The Meeting for ſufferings having collected such concluſions and Advices as have been agreed upon ſince the Engliſh Diſcipline was adopted in 1760. and preſented such extracts to this Meeting, to be forwarded to the ſeveral monthly Meetings for them to have entered in their reſpective monthly Meetings book of Diſcipline, for friends notice and obſervation, and William Rotch Jun^r. and William Macy are appointed to tranſcribe & forward them agreeable thereto. And the monthly Meetings are likewiſe directed to record in their books of Diſcipline, such part of the Extracts from the yearly Meetings Minutes as to them may ſeem neceſsary

This Meeting being Inform'd that Joseph Wing did not attend the yearly Meeting agreeable to his appointment, and having examined the cauſe of his nonattendance, accept the reaſons offered by him therefor.

The Yearly Meeting having concluded to raiſe £150 for the Yearly Meeting Stock £37 of which being agreed upon by the Repreſentatives for this Quarters proportion, is concluded to be raiſ'd in manner following

Nantucket monthly Meeting		£ 25 —
Sandwich	d^o.	9 —
Pembroke	d^o.	3
	making	£37

Which they are deſired to forward to the yearly Meetings treaſurer aſoon as they conveniently can, and return an Account to the next Quarterly Meeting. for remains of Entry of this Minute see page 133.

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Long Plain for Sandwich 4. 10 m^o 1783.

The Repreſentatives from the ſeveral Monthly Meetings are as followeth, (Viz).

For { Sandwich, John Ruſsell, & Ruſsell Braily.
Pembroke, Joshua Dillingham, & Thomas Rogers & Joseph Rogers
Nantucket, Jethro Mitchell, & Hezekiah Starbuck.

who being called were all preſent.

Samuel Rodman is appointed Clerk to the Meeting for this Time.

The Committee appointed at our last Quarter to viſit such Members of this Meeting as have held & manumitted Slaves, &c. have proceeded in that Service, but it not being yet fully accompliſhed, it is refer'd under their care, till our next Quarter.

Part of the Committee appointed to collect, & Inſpect the order of this

Meetings Records & Papers make report, that they have acted herein agreeable thereto, and have produced all they could find, some Minutes being miſsing, whereby it appears that they have been recorded in ſeveral Books in an Irregular manner.

This Meeting for the ſake of Order, concluds to have them fairly tranſcrib'd into a new Book procur'd for that purpoſe, whereupon William Rotch Jun^r & Samuel Rodman are appointed in Addition to the former Committee to take the old Books & Papers into Poſſeſsion, make further Inſpection, procure a new Book, & have them Inſerted, at this Meetings expence, and make report in the 3^d m^o next.

Receiv'd Acc^{ts} from the ſeveral monthly Meetings hereto belonging, which were herein read, whereby it appears that they have all attended to the recommendation of last Quarter, with respect to the manner of holding them, their concluſions thereon being approv'd of by this Meeting are as follow, viz^t Sandwich monthly Meeting to be at long plain, the tenth, eleventh, & twelfth month, and sixth Month, that in the sixth month to be third day of the week, that the yearly Meeting is on, the other three on the first sixth Day in each month. at Falmouth, the first, seventh, & eighth months, that in the seventh month, the sixth day after the Quarterly Meeting at Nantucket, the other two on the first sixth Day in each Month. At Sandwich the second, third, fourth, fifth, & ninth months, the first sixth day in each month as uſual, except that in the fourth month to be held the sixth day before the Quarterly Meeting in the 3^d month.

Pembroke monthly Meeting the first fourth Day in each Month as uſual, not finding an alteration uſefull.

Nantucket monthly Meeting, the last 2^d day in each Month as usual.

Sandwich monthly Meeting inform that they have forwarded to the Yearly Meetings treaſurer £9, their proportion of the Stock aloted them, and Pembroke monthly Meeting that they have likewiſe forwarded £3, being their proportion.

The Queries, with anſwers thereto, from the ſeveral monthly Meetings were herein read, upon which some ſeaſonable remarks were made on the prevailing deficiencies therein manifeſted.

The Committee appointed to visit long plain, & rochester first day Meetings not having agreed upon a report, that matter is again refer'd to the next Quarter when they are deſired to exhibit a written Report.

The buſineſs being ended this Meeting concludes.

Sign'd in & on behalf of ſaid Meeting by Samuel Rodman
Clerk at this Time

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Falmouth for Sandwich 3. 1 mo. 1784.

The Clerk being abſent, Daniel Starbuck is appointed Clerk at this Time

The Repreſentatives preſent are,

For Sandwich, Paul Wing, Zaccheus Gifford, & Barnabas Wing.
Pembroke, James Rogers.
Nantucket none.

The minutes of last Quarterly Meeting not being here, the Buſineſs refer'd from that Meeting to this is again refer'd to next quarterly Meeting.

We receiv'd Anſwers to the Queries from Sandwich and Pembroke monthly Meetings, which were read in this Meeting.

This Meeting concludes to adjourn to the Quarterly Meeting to be held at Sandwich in the third month next.

Signed by
Daniel Starbuck
Clerk at this time.

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich the 27. 3 mo. 1784

The Repreſentatives from the ſeveral Monthly Meetings are;

For Sandwich, Barnabas Wing, Joseph Wing, & Josiah Southwick,
Pembroke, John Baily, Joseph Rogers, & Robert Eſtes.
Nantucket, Daniel Starbuck, William Macy, & Samuel Rodman;

Samuel Rodman is appointed Clerk to the Meeting for the Year enſuing.

The Committee appointed to visit ſuch Members of this Meeting as have held and manumitted Slaves, not having yet compleated that Service, it is refer'd under their Care til next Quarter.

Part of the Committee appointed to inſpect the order of this Meetings Records, & papers, & tranſcribe them, inform, that they have had them tranſcrib'd to the Year 1763. from which time to the Year 1781. there appearing the Minutes of nine Quarters miſsing, concluded it best to suspend further tranſcribing til further search was made, wherefore Joseph Rogers is appointed in Addition to that Committee, who are deſired to continue their Inſpection, and make Report to next Quarter.

A Certificate in behalf of our Eſteemed Friend Abel Thomas, directed to the monthly Meeting of Exeter in Pennſylvania, expreſsive of our Unity with his Labours within the verge of this Quarter, was ſign'd in this Meeting by the Clerk, who is directed to forward it.

The Committee to visit Long Plain, & Rocheſter Meeting, not having yet agreed upon a report, their close attention to that matter is deſired, that they may be qualify'd to report to next Quarter.

Receiv'd Acc.ts from the monthly Meetings which were herein read.

Nantucket monthly Meeting inform, that they have forwarded to the Yearly Meeting's Treaſurer £25.

The Queries with the anſwers thereto from the ſeveral monthly Meetings were herein read, from which general Anſwers were made, and directed to be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting, with an Account which was read approved, & ſigned herein by the Clerk.

We have appointed John Ruſsell, Ebenezer Allen, John Baily, Daniel Starbuck, William Macy, Joſeph Rogers, & Hezekiah Starbuck, to attend the Yearly Meeting, who are deſired to make report thereof, to the next Quarter.

The buſineſs being finiſh'd this Meeting concludes.

Signed by Saml. Rodman Clerk.

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Nantucket for Sandwich 29, & 30. 6 mo. 1784.

The Repreſentatives appointed by the ſeveral monthly Meetings are,

For
Sandwich, Jeremiah Auſtin, Ruſsell Brailey, & Elijah Brailey
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers, & James Rogers.
Nantucket, Silvanus Macy, Richard Mitchel Jur., Peleg Folger and William Macy.

Who being call'd were all preſent, except Thomas Rogers, for whoſe abſence ſome reaſons were given.

Adjourn'd to half after the fourth hour this afternoon.

Met by adjournment.

The Repreſentatives being call'd were all preſent who attended the former ſitting of this Meeting.

Our Friend Samuel Hopkins attended this Meeting with a Copy of a Minute from the bank monthly Meeting in Philadelphia.

Likewiſe our Friend Tiddeman Hull, with a Copy of a minute from the Creek monthly Meeting in nine partners, both dated in the 5 mo. last. And our Friends David Willets, & John Willis with Certificates from the monthly Meeting of Weſtbury, on Long Island dated likewiſe in the 5 mo. last, all expreſsing the unity, & concurrence of their reſpective monthly Meetings, with coming hereon a religious visit whoſe Company, & Services among us in the Miniſtry & Diſcipline have been truly acceptable, & ſatisfactory,

Our Friend Joſeph Willets, companion to our Friend John Willis likewiſe attended this Meeting, with a Copy of a Minute from the aforeſaid monthly Meeting of Weſtbury whoſe company has been ſatisfactory.

We receiv'd an Epiſtle from our last yearly Meeting, with extracts from their Minutes therein contain'd, accompanied with the printed general Epiſtle from our friends, & brethren in London, as well as a tranſcript of their written Epistle, of 6mo. 1783. likewiſe Tranſcripts of Epistles from the yearly Meeting of friends held at Philadelphia, for Pennſylvania & new Jerſey, in the 10 mo last, alſo from the yearly Meeting of Friends held at Westbury on long Island, in the 5 mo laſt, directed to our yearly Meeting aforeſaid, containing many ſeaſonable & pertinent advices, were all read in this Meeting to ſatisfaction, Tranſcripts of which, except the London printed Epiſtle, are directed to be ſent to the monthly Meetings, and friends are deſired to pay weighty attention to the above mentioned Extracts, from the Yearly Meetings Minutes, and as much as poſſible use their endeavours to raiſe a ſtandard against the pernicious practices of dealing in, or uſing distill'd ſpirituous Liquors.

This Meeting being inform'd that the Yearly Meeting had concluded to raiſe £150 for a yearly Meeting Stock; £30 of which being agreed upon by the repreſentatives for this Quarters proportion, is concluded to be rais'd in manner following.

Nantucket monthly Meeting		£20..	
Sandwich	do	7.10..	
Pembroke	do	2..10..	£30..

which they are desired to forward to the yearly Meetings Treaſurer, and return an Account thereof to a future monthly Quarterly Meeting.

The Yearly Meeting having taken into conſideration the manner of holding the several Quarterly Meetings, belonging thereto, confirm the time & places of holding this Quarter, as agreed upon at our Meeting in the 6 mo last.

The Committee appointed to visit such Members of this Meeting as have held, & mancipated Slaves, not having compleated that ſervice their matter is continued under their care til next Quarter.

The Committee under appointment to visit Rocheſter & long plain Meetings, report, that they have generally attended that Service; & find the Interruption at long plain has ceaſed, by reaſon of some alter alterations being made by those that are ſeparated from us, in the time of their Meeting, that at Rocheſter ſtil continues, and it is their Judgment requires further attention of this Meeting, whereupon it is our Judgment that the care of Rochester Meeting, be recommended to the particular attention of Sandwich Monthly Meeting, to which it belongs, and for them to send up an account of their prospect of the uſefulneſs of its continuance, or otherwise, to next Quarterly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to inspect the order of this Meetings records and transcribe them, report that they have not yet been furnish'd with all the minutes, which they in their report in the 3 mo mention'd to be miſsing wherefore they are continued til further ſearch is made, & to make Report to a future Meeting.

William Rotch and Hezekiah Starbuck, are appointed to prepare Endorſements of The Certificates of Friends present belonging to other yearly Meetings, and make report to the adjournment of this Meeting.

Adjourn'd to the 2d hour in the afternoon tomorrow.

30th Day Met by adjournment.

The Representatives being call'd, are all present that have heretofore attended.

We receiv'd Accounts from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, which with their Anſwers to the Queries were read in this Meeting, and ſome feeling remarks made upon the prevailing deficiencies, which are so sorrowfully apparent amongst us, and the representatives from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, are requested to impreſs a concern upon their Members for Amendment in those respects.

Our Friend John Haughton, attended this ſitting with a Certificate from the monthly meeting of friends held in Philadelphia for the southern district dated 5 mo last, & our Frd James Bringhurst his companion with a copy of a minute from the same Mo Meeting, likewise our frd Hugh Judge, with a Certificate from the monthly Meeting of friends held at Wilmington in the county of new Castle upon Deleware, dated the 17. instt & Joseph Tatnall, as companion to our friend Hugh Judge, that meeting having signified their approbation thereof, in the last mentioned Certificate, all expreſsing the unity of their Meetings with their coming among us whoſe Company among us has been ſatisfactory.

The friends appointed, prepared & presented Endorsements on the Certificates of our friends, John Willis Joseph Willets, David Willets, Tiddiman Hull, and Samuel Hopkins, expreſsive of our Satiſfaction in their Company, & certifying that their deportment hath been examplary since among us, & the Labours of those in the Ministry acceptable, which were read & having having the approbation of the Meeting, were ſigned by the Clerk.

This Meeting is inform'd that the friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting, did all attend accordingly.

The buſineſs being finish'd this Meeting concludes, & adjourns to next Meeting at Long Plain in the 10 mo. Ensuing.

Signed by Samuel Rodman Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Long Plain for Sanwich 2. 10 mo. 1784.

The Meeting being Conven'd the Repreſentatives appointed by the ſeveral monthly Meetings, are

For { Sandwich, Ruſsell Brailey, Paul Wing, & John Ruſsell.
Pembroke, John Rogers, & John Bailey.
Nantucket, Jethro Mitchel, & Samuel Rodman.

Our Friend Thomas Scattergood attended this Meeting with a Certificate from the monthly Meeting of Friends held in Philadelphia for the nothern district, directed to friends of New York, & new England Governments, dated 25. 5 mo last, expreſsive of their Sympathy in his concern to make us a religious Visit, and their Unity therewith.

One of the Committee appointed to visit such Members of this Meeting as have held, & manumitted Slaves, reports, that they have not yet compleated that Service, wherefore that matter is continued under their care til next Meeting.

We are inform'd by the Account from Sandwich monthly Meeting, that according to our recommendation at last Quarter to pay particular attention to Rocheſter Meeting, and report to us their proſpect of the uſefulneſs of its continuance, or otherwise, that they have appointed a Committee for that purpose, and the Judgment of that Meeting thereupon, is requested to be forwarded, in their Account to the Quarterly Meeting in the 3 mo next.

The Committee appointed to inspect the order of this Meetings Papers & Records, and tranſcribe them, report that they have not obtain'd any further knowledge of the Minutes mention'd in their report in the 3 m laſt, to be miſsing, whereupon it is the Judgment of this Meeting, that they proceed to the accompliſhing of that ſervice, and finish the records, without waiting further for them, and report their doings to next Quarter.

We receiv'd Accounts from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, with Answers to the Quiries, which were read; and upon which some suitable advice was drop'd worthy to be obſerv'd by all. And by which Accounts we are inform'd they have all raiſed & forwarded to the Yearly Meeting treasurer the Sums recommended last Quarter for a Yearly Meeting Stock.

An Endorſement on our Friend Thomas Scattergood's Certificate expreſsive of this Meetings ſatisfaction in his company, & Service in the Miniſtry & Diſcipline, was prepared, read, approv'd, & signed herein by the Clerk.

The buſineſs being finish'd, this Meeting concludes, and adjourns to our next Quarter, to be held at Falmouth, in the first month next.

Signed by Samuel Rodman Clerk

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Falmouth for Sandwich 8. 1 mo. 1785.

The Repreſentatives are as follows, vizt.

For Sandwich, Paul Wing, Jeremiah Auſtin, & Zaccheus Gifford.
Pembroke, John Rogers, William Howland, & Joseph Rogers.
Nantucket, None

Richard Delano is appointed Clerk for this time.

The Committee appointed to visit such Members of this Meeting as have held, & manumitted Slaves, not having comply'd with that Service, the matter is continued under their Care til next Quarter.

The committee appointed to tranſcribe the records of this Meeting not reporting their doing thereabout, that matter is continued under their care til next Quarter.

The Queries and Anſwers from Sandwich, & Pembroke, were read in this Meeting, and some suitable advice was dropt on the many deficiencies therein, worthy the obſervation of all.

The Buſineſs being finiſh'd this Meeting concludes, and Adjourns to the next Quarter, to be held at Sandwich, in the 3 mo. next

Signed by Richard Delano. Clerk at this time.

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 26 & 28. 3 mo. 1785

The Meeting being conven'd, and Accounts receiv'd from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, the Repreſentatives appointed therein are,

For Sandwich, John Ruſsell, Joseph Wing, & Zaccheus Gifford.
Pembroke, John Rogers, John Bailey, and Isaac Keen.
Nantucket, Jethro Mitchel, William Macy, & Samuel Rodman.

Who being call'd are all preſent.

We being inform'd that ſeveral Friends from Nantucket, in company with our Friend Zaccharias Dicks of North Carolina, and John Eliot Jur of Philadelphia, were on their way to this Meeting, but by their late arrival it being rendered impracticable for them to attend this ſitting, we adjourn to next 2d day at the 10 hour, to accomodate their attendance.

3 mo. 28. Met by adjournment.

The Repreſentatives being call'd are all preſent

Samuel Rodman is appointed Clerk, for the Year enſuing.

The Committee appointed to visit such Members of this Meeting as have held, & manumitted Slaves, report, that they are Qualifyed to inform this Meeting that such a ſettlement, agreeable to the yearly Meetings requirings has taken place within the verge of this Quarter, which information is directed to be inſerted in the Account to the Yearly Meeting.

The committee to tranſcribe the record &c, report that they have not yet fully accompliſh'd that Service, wherefore it is refer'd under their care til next Quarter.

There being no regular Account from Sandwich monthly Meeting of their proceedings, with respect to Rocheſter Meeting, they are deſired to give attention to this Meetings former recommendation, in that Matter, & make report of the uſefulneſs of its continuance, or otherwiſe, to our next Quarter.

We are inform'd by the Account from Nantucket, (dated in the 12 mo laſt now come to hand,) that they had appointed Deborah Huſsey, Hephzibah Harris, & Anna Swain, in the ſtation of Elders, which meets the approbation of this Meeting and Jonathan Macy is deſired to inform the ſelect Meeting thereof.

Our friend Zacharias Dicks attended this Meeting with a Certificate from cane Creek monthly Meeting north Carolina, dated 3. 7 mo. 1784. directed to Friends in great Brittain, Ireland, & elſe where.

Our friend Ann Jeſſop attended this Meeting, with a Certificate from new Garden monthly Meeting, No Carolina, dated 4. 8 mo. 1784. directed to friends as far as new England, and in Europe. likewise our friend John Eliot Jun. attended this Meeting with a Certificate from the monthly Meeting of Philadelphia dated 31. 12 mo. 1784. directed to friends in new York, & new England. all ſignifying the unity of their reſpective Meetings, with their Ministry &c. were read in this Meeting to ſatisfaction.

By the account reciev'd from Nantucket monthly Meeting we are inform'd that there was no convenient oppertunity for them to attend our last quarterly Meeting which is accepted as a ſatiſfactory reaſon for their non attendance

The Queries with Anſwers thereto from the ſeveral monthly meetings were read, upon which many judicious hints to stir up our minds to an attention to the pointings of divine regard, that the many deficiencies therein manifeſted might be remidied, were dropt, which we are deſirous may be profitably remembred.

The times of holding this Meeting in the 1. & 3 months, coming under conſideration, it is our judgment that an alteration that may better accomodate their attendance, may uſefully take place, which is directed to be inserted in the account to the Yearly Meeting.

An account prepared to the yearly Meeting was read, & being approved was ſigned by the Clerk, which is deſired to be carried by the friends appointed to attend it, who are, Jethro Mitchel, Paul Wing, Ebenezer Allen, Samuel Rodman, William Macy, Joseph Rogers, and Ruſſel Brailey.

The Clerk is directed to furniſh our Friends Zacharias Dicks, and Ann Jeſſop with a Copy of the minute of the Entry of their Certificates expreſſing our ſatiſfaction in their company, that their Services have been acceptable, & their deportment examplary while among us.

An Endorſement on the back of our friend John Eliot Junr. Certificate was prepared, & read in this Meeting, expreſsive of our ſatisfaction in his Company, & that his deportment hath been examplary while among us, which was ſigned by the Clerk.

The buſineſs being finiſh'd, this Meeting concludes, and adjourns to our next Quarter, to be held on Nantucket.

Signed by Samuel Rodman Clerk.

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held on Nantucket for Sandwich 28, & 29. 6mo 1785

The Meeting being convened, and accounts receiv'd from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, the Repreſentatives therein appointed are,

For Sandwich, Joseph Wing, Richard Delano, John Ruſsell & Elijah Brailey
Pembroke, Joseph Rogers, Abner Hill, & Isaac Keen.
Nantucket, Jethro Mitchel, Jonathan Macy, Joseph Harris,
Benjamin Barney, & Stephen Coffin.

Who being called, are all preſent.

Nantucket monthly Meeting in their Account, inform that Ann Huſsey hath appeal'd from the Judgment of that Meeting to this, ſhe also appearing, & manifeſting her intention to proſecute it, we appoint Richard Delano, Joshua Dillingham, Jeremiah Auſtin Jur., John Ruſsell Joseph Wing & John Bailey, to meet with her, and the Committee of Men & women appointed by that Meeting to repreſent the caſe, to hear & determine the same, and make report of their Judgment to an adjournment of this Meeting.

Sandwich monthly Meeting inform that their Committee hath paid some attention to their appointment in the caſe of Rocheſter Meetings, and have reported their Judgment, that unleſs the few friends remaining at that place are animated afreſh by the enlivening power of Truth on their minds, it may be beſt to diſcontinue that Meeting. which report is by them accepted.

And being refer'd by them for our Conſideration, after being weightily before the Meeting, we have concluded to appoint our friends Richard Mitchel Junr. Daniel Starbuck, Shubael Coffin, Peleg Folger, Abner Hill, & John Bailey, to viſit that Meeting. and Sandwich monthly Meeting is deſired to appoint a Committee to unite with them in that Service, & report to next Quarterly Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 6. hour this afternoon.

Met by adjournment

The Repreſentatives being call'd, are all preſent, except some abſent on a Committee.

The Committee to tranſcribe the records &c. report that they have not accomplish'd that Service, there having other Minutes come to their knowledge since last Quarter; which were ſupposed to be lost. wherefore it is continued under their care til Next Quarter.

A Teſtimony from Pembroke monthly Meeting dated 1st instant in behalf of our deceaſed Friend Mary Rogers, was read in this Meeting, the contents of which coming under conſideration. it was thought advisable to appoint Edward Tillet Emmet, William Rotch Jur., Jethro Mitchel, Peleg Folger, Joseph Harris, Jeremiah Auſtin Jur. Samuel Rodman, and John Ruſsell, a Committee to examine the ſame, and if they think neceſsary to make such alterations as may be conſiſtent with Truth, and make report of their Judgment thereon, to next Quarterly Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 10 hour Tomorrow.

29. day, Met by adjournment.

The Representatives being call'd, are all present.

The Committee upon the appeal of Ann Huſsey from the Judgment of Nantucket monthly Meeting, make the following Report, viz.

We Your Committee, appointed in the Case of Ann Huſsey's appeal from the Judgment of Nantucket monthly meeting against her, have attended to that Service, and had the matter opened before us. and having heard & weightily considered what she had to say, are Unitedly of the opinion that the Judgment of said Meeting be confirmed

Nantucket 29. 6mo. 1785.

Phebe Wing
Lydia Gould
Rhoda Rogers
Joshua Dillingham
Jeremiah Auſtin Jur.
John Bailey
John Ruſsell
Joseph Wing
Richard Delano.

Which is accepted by this Meeting, and being concur'd with by the Womens Meeting, the Judgment is accordingly confirmed.

Ann Huſsey being introduc'd into this Meeting, the preceding Minute containing the report of the Committee upon her appeal, & this Meeting's confirmation of the Judgment of Nantucket monthly Meeting being read, she then expreſs'd her intention of appealing from the Judgment of this Meeting to the next Yearly Meeting, which being noted we appoint Richard Mitchel Jur. Samuel Rodman, Jeremiah Auſtin Jur. Richard Delano, & John Bailey to ſee that it be entred in the Account to the next yearly Meeting, and if the appears to proſecute the ſame, to repreſent the matter thereto in behalf of this Meeting.

An Epiſtle from our last Yearly Meeting held at Newport on Rhode-Island, with tranſcript's of Epiſtles from the yearly Meetings of London, Phidelphia, & Westbury, were reciev'd, and read in this Meeting to ſatiſfaction, Copy's of all which are directed to be ſent to the ſeveral monthly Meetings by their Representatives.

We are inform'd by the Accounts from the yearly Meeting, that agreeable to our request, they had taken into conſideration, the time in which our Quarterly Meetings have been held in the 1, & 3, mos: and concluded that in future the Quarter that hath been held in the first month, be held the second sixth day in the 12mo. and that held in the 3mo. to be held the 6. day before the last first day in the same month. which is ſatiſfactory to this Meeting

The yearly Meeting having concluded to raiſe £100 for the Year enſuing £22.10.., of which being alotted to us, as this Meetings proportion, is concluded by the Repreſentatives to be raiſ'd in manner following, viz

Sandwich 1/4	£5.12.6	
Pembroke 1/12	1.17.6	
Nantucket 2/3	15.–.–	£22.10.–

which Sums they are deſir'd to forward to the yearly Meetings treaſurer and inform the next Quarterly Meeting.— And the above proportions are now agree'd upon, to be a government, for future demands upon this Meeting, until some apparent alteration in the circumſtances of the Meetings, may make it neceſsary to vary them

Our Friend Joshua Morris attended the ſeveral ſittings of this Meeting, & produced a copy of a Minute from the monthly Meeting of Abington in Pennſylvania, dated 30. 5 mo. laſt, expreſsing their Unity with him as an Elder, His company & Services having been ſatisfactory to us, an Endorsement purporting the ſame, was made on the back of a certificate, given him by our yearly Meeting, which being read and approved, was ſigned by the Clerk.

The Queries with Anſwers from the ſeveral monthly Meetings were read, upon which many obſervations were made, suitably adapted to the prevailing deficiencies therein mentioned

The buſineſs being finish'd, this Meeting concludes, & adjourns to our next Quarter to held at Long Plain.

Signed by Samuel Rodman Clerk.

The following is remains of the Quarterly Meeting minute of 7 mo 1783. being by an overſight short entered in Page 121. which See.

The Committee for conſidering the most uſeful times and places, for holding the Quarterly Meeting the year enſuing, report their Judment as follows.

At Long Plain, the ſeventh day after th 1st 6th day in the 10th month, being the 4th Day of the Month.
At Falmouth, on the 7 day, after the 1st 6th day in the 1st mo.
At Sandwich, on the 7th day before the last 1st day in the 3d mo
At Nantucket, on the 3 day after the 4th 6th day in the 6th mo

Of which this Meeting approves,

The monthly Meetings belonging to this Quater are deſired to conſider the most uſeful times & places of holding them, in order to promote the eaſe & conveniency of friends belonging to other Meetings in attending them, having due regard to the time of holding ſuperiour Meetings, and ſend an account of their Judment thereon to the next Quarterly Meeting.

Jeremiah Auſtin Jr Joseph Wing, Obed Marshall, & Daniel Starbuck, are appointed to collect, & inſpect the order of this Meetings Records & papers, and make report to the next Quarter.

The Clerk is directed to furnish the Repreſentatives of the ſeveral monthly Meetings with Copies of such Minutes of this Meeting as immediately concern the monthly Meetings.

The buſineſs being finish'd this Meeting concludes,
Signed in ſaid Meeting.
by Samuel Rodman Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Long-Plain for Sandwich the 8 & 9. 10 mo. 1785

The Meeting being convened the Representatives from the ſeveral monthly Meetings are,

From Sandwich, Joseph Bowerman, Jeremiah Austin Jun.r & Abner Hoxsie.
Pembroke, Thomas Rogers, John Bailey, & William Howland
Nantucket, Richard Mitchel Jun.r Peleg Easton, & Samuel Rodman

Who being called, are all present.

The Committee appointed to have the Records & Minutes of this Meeting fairly tranſcribed, report that they have accompliſhed that ſervice, and the expence attending it, as ⅌ Account exhibited is £3„12„–, which the several monthly Meetings are deſired to furniſh their proportions of against the next Quarterly Meeting.

The Committee appointed to take into conſideration the Teſtimony offer'd at last Quarterly Meeting from Pembroke monthly Meeting, and make Report of their Judgment thereon, have produced the following, viz.t

According to appointment we have carefully examined the Teſtimony offered to last Quarterly Meeting from Pembroke monthly Meeting, concerning our deceased Friend Mary Rogers; And altho we believe she was of an examplary life, and are sincerely desirous the loſs we have ſuſtain'd in her removal, may be fully supplied by others coming up in her place; Yet considering the many and full Teſtimonies already extant, and her usefulneſs being but little known to most branches of the Yearly Meeting, If Pembroke monthly Meeting could be quite eaſy without a memorial of this kind going forward, it would be most satisfactory to us. which we submit to the Quarterly Meeting.

Nantucket, 9 mo. 4. 1785.

Peleg Folger
Jethro Mitchel
Edw.d Tillett Emmell
John Ruſsell
Jeremiah Auſtin Jun.r
Joseph Harris
Samuel Rodman
W.m Rotch Jun.r

which is accepted by this Meeting, and the Clerk is directed to return said Teſtimony, with a Copy of the above Report to Pembroke monthly Meeting.

Accounts, with Anſwers to the Queries from Sandwich & Pembroke monthly Meetings were reciev'd & read, The Account from Nantucket being accidentally left by their representatives, the Contents is refer'd to our next Quarterly Meeting.

There being only verbal Accounts from the monthly Meetings of part of the yearly meetings Stock being forwarded to the Treaſurer, they are deſired to forward the whole and send up a written Account thereof to the next Quarterly Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 4. hour tomorrow afternoon.

9th day met by Adjournment

The Representatives being call'd are all present

Pembroke monthly Meeting in their account inform that there is a difference ſubſiſting between two of their Members, which appears difficult for them to ſettle, and request the aſsiſtance of this Meeting for that end, whereupon we appoint Richard Delano, Jeremiah Austin Junr, Richard Mitchel Junr & Samuel Rodman, to visit that Meeting, & unite with them in Endeavouring to reconcile them with each other, & give them such advice therein as they may think useful

The Committee appointed at last Quarterly Meeting to visit Rochester Meeting make the following report.

Agreeable to appointment of last Quarterly Meeting we have attended Rocheſter Meeting, and give it as our Judgment that said Meeting is not kept up to the regulation of Society, and Sandwich monthly Meetings committee have attended said Meeting & unite in Judgment with us, which we ſubmit to the Quarterly Meeting.

Richard Mitchel Junr
Long Plane 10 mo. 9. 1785. John Bailey
Daniel Starbuck
Abner Hill.

Which being considered of, this Meeting concurs therewith, and advise Sandwich monthly Meeting to discontinue it accordingly, wherefore we direct the Clerk to forward them a Copy of this Minute.

The Buſineſs being finished, this Meeting concludes, and Adjourns to our next Quarter to be held at Falmouth in the 12 month next.

Signed by Saml. Rodman Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Falmouth for Sandwich, 9. 12mo. 1785.

The Meeting being convened & Accounts reciev'd from the ſeveral monthly Meetings the representatives therein appointed

For
Sandwich, Joseph Wing, Jeremiah Austin Junr. &
Richard Delano.
Pembroke, John Rogers, John Bailey & Iſaac Keen.
Nantucket Peleg Folger, & Richard Mitchel Jur.

Who being called, are all present.

The Committee appointed at last Quarter to visit Pembroke monthly Meeting, presented the following Report. Viz.

According to appointment we have visited Pembroke monthly Meeting, and the two Members thereof, between whom the difference mentioned in their Accounts to last Quarter ſubsisted, & after administring such advice as we thought best adapted to their ſcituation, left them with a degree of hope that the difference would be ſettled, and they reconciled with each other,

Falmouth 12mo. 9. 1785.

Richard Mitchel Jur.
Richard Delano
Jeremiah Auſtin Jur.
Saml. Rodman.

Which is accepted by this Meeting.

The Account from Nantucket mentioned at our laſt Meeting to have been left, having now come to hand, we are thereby informed that they have forwarded to the yearly Meeting treaſurer their proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock.

We are likewise informed by their Account to this Meeting, that they have reciev'd Sarah Barker in the ſtation of an Elder from Falmouth monthly Meeting – which meets our concurrence, and Jethro Mitchel is desired to inform the select Meeting hereof.

One of the Committee to have the records & minutes of the Meeting transcribed, inform that the expence thereof, agreeable to a Minute of last Quarter has been paid by the monthly Meetings.

The Queries with Answers thereto from the monthly Meetings were read, and Peleg Folger, Richard Mitchel Jur. & Samuel Rodman are appointed to collect a summary Account from the Anſwers present, & have them recorded according to our Diſcipline.

The Buſineſs being finished, the Meeting concludes, & adjourns to the next Quarter to be held in Sandwich in the third month next.

Saml. Rodman Clerk

Summary Account of the ſtate of the Meeting, compiled from the Answers to the Queries, 12mo. 1785.

1. Our Meetings are all duly attended by a Number, that observe the Hour, – small on midweek; – Sleepineſs given way to by some, and not quite clear of other unbecoming behaviour

2 Love and Unity, there is a Number concern'd to maintain who discourage Talebearing &c, and endeavour to end differences when they arise.

3 It appears that there is a Number concerned to conduct in and with their Families agreeably to what is here Queried.

N. B. The word number in the foregoing, is not meant to comprehend the greatest Number.

4 The use of Spirituous Liquors is not reſtrained according to the fulneſs of this Query. – Places of publick resort are not much frequented, – Moderation & Temperance are in a good degree observed.

5 Regard is had to this Requisition, and Friends appear to be pretty clear herein.

6 We know not but clear of countenancing disorderly Marriages, – Not wholly clear of our young and unmarried accompanying with those not of our Society.

7 The anſwers bespeak a degree of clearneſs in what is here queried after.

8 An agreement in the ſeveral Answers, that the ſettlement of Estates, and making Wills is too much neglected, – Clear in discharge of the Duties respecting Legacies.

9 Clear.

10 Generally clear.

11 A considerable deficiency in recording Births, Deaths, and Burials, but not general, – Marriage Certificates recorded.

12 There appears to be a Number concerned to deal regularly with Offenders, and place Judgment upon the Obstinate.

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 24. 3^{mo} 1786.

The Meeting being convened, and Accounts rendered from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, the Representatives therein appointed are,

For Sandwich, John Ruſsell, John Sanders, Ebenezer Allen and Paul Wing.
Pembroke, James Rogers, John Rogers, & Isaac Keen.
Nantucket, Benjamin Barney, Shubael Coffin, & Joseph Harris

Who being called are all present.

Daniel Starbuck is appointed Clerk for this Time

This Meeting is inform'd from Sandwich monthly Meeting that they have appointed Elisabeth Wing, and Abigail Wing 2^{nd} to the ſtation of Elders, with which this Meeting concurs, & Jethro Mitchel is deſired to inform the ſelect Meeting hereof. they likewise inform that they have forwarded £5. 12. 6 to the Yearly Meeting.

Pembroke monthly Meeting inform that they have forwarded £1. 17. 6 to the Yearly Meeting Treaſurer for the yearly Stock.

The Queries with Anſwers thereto from the ſeveral monthly Meetings, were read in this Meeting, and with the general Anſwers compiled, which are directed to be forwarded to the next yearly Meeting.

Pembroke monthly Meeting inform that Sarah Rogers Jun^{r} appeals from the Judgment of that Meeting to this Meeting, and we appoint Benjamin Barney, Richard Delano, & Jethro Mitchel to unite with the womens Committee in her Caſe, and report their Judgment to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 10 hour tomorrow

25. 3^{mo} Met by Adjournment.

Repreſentatives being call'd, are all present.

Pembroke monthly Meetings Account makes mention of an Appeal of Samuel Gould, & Isaac Barker, upon the propriety of which this Meeting directs Joseph Wing, Ruſsel Brailey, Ebenezer Allen, Shubael Coffin, Joseph Harris, & Daniel Starbuck, who were appointed yesterday, and their names omitted being then entred, to look into the matter, and return their Judgment to this adjournment. the above named Friends make the following report. viz^{t}

We that were named in the Case of Samuel Gould and Isaac Barker, mentioned in Pembroke monthly Meetings account, after hearing, and carefully considering the extenſive care & Labour of that monthly meeting, united with a former Committee of the Quarterly Meeting, to produce Peace & Concord among them, and now to find the Matter so far from an amicable Settlement, are unitedly of Opinion that it is best for the Quarterly Meeting to take no notice of it as an appeal, but that they be recommended to the Principles of Truth in their owne Breasts, that they may regain the mark of Christ's followers, and unite in the Bond of Peace, which is the Unity of the Brethren, and that the monthly Meeting further Labour, and oblige them to submit all points of Controverſy to reference, agreeable to discipline

3 mo. 25. 1786

Joseph Wing
Ruſsell Brailey
Ebenezer Allen
Shubael Coffin
Joseph Harris
Daniel Starbuck

Which report is accepted, and concurred with by this Meeting and is directed as the advice thereof, to be sent to Pembroke monthly Meeting.

The friends appointed in the Caſe of Sarah Rogers Junr.'s appeal, report that its their Judgment, that the Judgment of Pembroke monthly Meeting be confirmed, which hath alſo met the approbation of the womens Meeting, and is concur'd with by this Meeting, And Ebenezer Allen, & Paul Wing are appointed to inform her of the procedure of this Meeting respecting her, & of her right of appeal, and report to next Quarter.

The Account to the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island was read in this Meeting approved of, and Signed by the Clerk, & is directed to be forwarded by our Repreſentatives who are, Joseph Harris, Abner Hill, Jeremiah Austin Junr. Joseph Rogers, Ebenezer Allen, Jethro Mitchel, & John Bayley.

The Buſineſs being finished, this Meeting concludes, and adjourns to our next Quarterly Meeting to be held at Nantucket.

Signed by Daniel Starbuck
Clerk at this time.

From our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 24. & 25. 3mo. 1786

To the Yearly Meeting of Friends next to be held at Newport on Rhode Island.

Dear Friends.

We have to acknowledge the reception of your last Years Epiſtle, together with Tranſcripts of Epiſtles from the Yearly Meetings of London, Philadelphia, and Westbury, which were read to ſatisfaction, and have agreable to your advice forwarded to your Treaſurer the Sum of twenty two Pounds ten Shillings, our proportion of the Stock.

Likewise have to inform you that Ann Huſsey hath appealed from the Judgment of this Meeting, in the sixth month last, which was granted, and have appointed Richard Mitchel Junr. Samuel Rodman, Jeremiah Auſtin Junr. Richard Delano & John Bailey in case she appears, to proſecute her appeal, then to represent the matter to you in behalf of this Meeting.

We are informed by the Account from Sandwich monthly Meeting dated 22. 3mo. 1786 that they had appointed Eliſabeth Wing, and Abigail Wing 2nd. to the Station of Elders, which meets the approbation of this Meeting.

As to the State of our Meeting we refer to the answers of the Queries, which we herewith send by our Representatives who are Joseph Harris, Abner Hill, Jeremiah Auſtin Junr. Joseph Rogers, Ebenezer Allen Jethro Mitchel and John Bayley.

Signed in & on behalf of the aforeſaid Quarterly Meeting
Daniel Starbuck Clerk at this time

Anſ. 1. Our Meetings for religious worship & Diſcipline are duly attended by a conſiderable Number, and the hour by them observed, but many are deficient herein, a mid week meeting drop'd which is under notice, not all clear of Sleeping, with some other unbecoming behaviour

2. A small number are concern'd to maintain love and unity, as becomes the followers of Christ, but the greateſt part are deficient herein; Talebearing, backbiting & evil reports not enough discouraged, and where differences ariſe endeavours are generally used to end them.

3 We think there is a ſmall Number endeavouring to bring up their Children in plainneſs of Speech behaviour

and Apparel, reſtraining them from pernicious Books agreeable to this Query, but the greater part are far Short on those accounts.

4. Mostly clear of the use of Spirituous Liquors, tho we fear not all, - a good degree of moderation appears on the other Accounts.

5 We know not but the Circumſtances of the poor are inſpected & relieved as far as is neceſsary, their Children pertake of Learning to fit them for buſineſs, - we know of none placed out of Society of late.

6 Not all clear in either part, of which care is taken.

7 As to Priests Wages & military matters we think clear except the payment of publick Taxes be a Breach, we fear not all clear in dealing in Goods suspected to be run.

8 Friends are not enough careful to inspect their affairs, settle their accounts, & make their Wills whilst in health, publick Gifts & Legacy's duly applied.

9 Clear as far as appears.

10 Clear, except a few Inſtances under notice.

11 We think that Marriages are generally recorded, but a great neglect of Births, Deaths Marriages & Burials, the other part

12. There is a small number concern'd to deal regularly and impartially with offenders, and to place Judgment upon them when it appears neceſsary, according to our Diſcipline.

At Our Quarterly Meeting of friends held on Nantucket for Sandwich the 27th of the 6th Month 1786

The Meeting being convened & Accots received from the several Monthly Meetings, the Representatives therein named are - Vizt

For { Sandwich; John Ruſsell, Ruſsell Brayley & Barnabas Hoxsie -
Pembrook. Joshua Dillingham & John Bailey
Nantucket Jethro Mitchel Benjamin Barney
& Willm Macy who being call'd are all present -

Saml Rodman is appointed Clerk to the Meeting for this year -

The Queries with Answers thereto from the several

several Mo Meetings were herein read upon which many remarks were made, & suitably applyed to the deficiencies sorrowfully apparent among us. —

We received an Epistle from our last Yearly Meeting which was read to satisfaction —

Adjourn'd to half past the fourth hour this Afternoon

Met by adjournment.

The Representatives being call'd are all present —

Transcripts of Epistles from the Yearly Meetings of our brethren in London Philadelphia & Long Island to our last Yearly Meeting were read to satisfaction, which with the Epistle from our said Yearly Meeting are directed to be transcribed by the Clerk & sent to the Mo Meetings hereto belonging —

The late Yearly Meeting having been impress'd with a sense of the apparent declension from the purity of our profession in many instances manifested in the Answers to the Queries – recommended in their Epistle to the several Quarters, the Appointment of a Committee to visit the Monthly Meetings, and use their endeavours under divine influence to stir up the pure mind in their members that if possible the painful causes of complaint may be removed, Which being weightily consider'd by this Meeting, we appoint Jethro Mitchel, John Russell, Joshua Dillingham, Paul Ring, Joseph Harris, John Bailey & Saml. Rodman, to visit the Monthly Meetings belonging to this Quarter, who are desired to pay particular attention to the contents of the Epistle before alluded to, & afford such assistance to the Mo Meetings as their situations may require & report their service to next Quarterly Meeting —

The following Certificates were presented to this Meeting by our esteem'd Friends now with us from their respective Meetings, John Townsend's, Dated at the Monthly Meeting held at Devonshire house London, the 5th of the 4 Mo. 1785 expressive of their unity with his Ministry & his making a visit to Friends in America to whom it is directed with a certificate of concurrence from the Quarterly Meeting held at the same place the 11th of the 4 mo. likewise a Certificate of concurrence from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held in London ye 14 to the 23. of Fifth Month 1785 —

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John Storer's. Dated at the Monthly Meeting of Nottingham in Old England, the 6 of the 3d Month 1785 expressive of their Unity with his Ministry, & his making a visit to friends in America, to whom it is directed; with Certificates of concurrence from the Quarterly Meeting for the Counties of Derby & Nottingham held at Nottingham ye 28th of same Month & the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held in London 5 mo. 1785 —

Nicholas Waln's Dated at the Mo. Meeting of Philadelphia for the Southern district the 26th of the 4 mo. 1786 directed to friends in the Governments of New York & New England expressive of their Unity with his Ministry & intended visit with a certificate of concurrence from the Quarterly Meetg. held in Philadelphia ye 1st of the fifth month last —

All which were read in this Meeting to satisfaction.

A Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Kingwood in New Jersey held the 8th of the 9th Month 1785 in behalf of our friend Sarah Lundy expressive of their Unity with her Ministry, & intended visit to friends in New England & parts adjacent — with a certificate in behalf of Cynthia Irish her companion, dated at Oblong Monthly Meeting ye 17th of the 10th Month 1785, signifying their concurrence with her visit were read to satisfaction —

By an extract from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, we are inform'd that Ann Hussey who manifested her intention of appealing from the judgment of our Quarterly Meeting in the 6 Month 1785, did not appear there to prosecute it, And sending no reasons for her Non appearance; According to our discipline, they had dismiss'd that matter. & — By the Epistle from the Yearly Meeting we are inform'd that they had concluded to raise Seventy five pounds for the present Years Stock. Sixteen pounds Seventeen Shillings of which being alloted to us, as this Meetings proportion. the Monthly Meetings are desired to raise their respective proportions thereof as establish'd in the 6 Month 1785. forward them to the Yearly Meetings treasurer & inform our next Quarterly Meeting thereof —

By the Answers rec. from the several Monthly Meetings — there appears no essential alteration in the State of Society in the verge of this Quarter from the Accots. received in the 3d. Month last, wherefore we have not particularly described it at this time — The great neglect of the Monthly

Meetings

Meetings, belonging to this Quarter with respect to Recording Births, Deaths, & burials, being revived in this Meeting. It is Recommended to the Committee appointed to visit them, that they endeavour to restore that important branch of our discipline to order — The Friends appointed at last Quarterly Meeting to inform Sarah Rogers Junr. of this Meeting's confirmation of the Judgment of Pembrook Mo. Meeting & her right of appeal, Report that they have done it according to appointment — The friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting inform that they all attended —

The Company of our friends John Storer John Townsend, & Nicholas Waln, being Acceptable to us in this Meeting we are desirous their Labours may prove to edification — They having attended the Yearly Meeting & had Certificates from thence, deem'd it unnecessary to have any from this Meeting — The business being finished this Meeting concludes & adjourns to our next Quarter to be held at Long plain — Sign'd by Saml. Rodman Clerk —

From our Yearly Meeting of Friends held on Rhode Island for New England from the 9th of the 6th Month to the 13th of the same inclusive 1786 —

To the several Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging
Dear Friends.

In a degree of that antient love which hath been Mercifully vouchsafed to us at this time do we salute you, And inform that this Meeting (tho not altogether so large as usual hath been favour'd in conducting the many weighty matters that have come before it having sensibly to acknowledge the United labours of our well concern'd brethren from Europe, and the Neighbouring yearly Meetings attending this, Who upon the deficiencies of society spread before us by the Answers to the queries, made many seasonable & judicious remarks thereon, which corresponding with the concern of this Meeting, We think advisable to Recommend to the several Quarterly Meetings to appoint a Committee of Solid well concern'd friends to visit the Several Monthly Meetings to afford them such assistance counsel & advice as they in the ability truth affords may think best, in order for a removal of all such causes of of complaint, having especial attention to such as are

deficient

deficient in attending our Religious Meetings, both for Worship & discipline, Also the orderly & pious education of Children which the Truth requires & leads all the faithful into, likewise where there appears any breach of love & Unity, which are the fruits of the flesh & of a carnal mind, as true love is the fruit of the Spirit, and distinguishing mark of being a real disciple of Christ, And also where there appears any neglect in the settlement of outward affairs that the Monthly Meetings endeavour to guard their members as much as may be from any deviation from a strict adherence to justice & equity in the payment of debts, or discharge of Contracts, for such conduct would not only affect the character of the particular but the reputation of our Religious society — And we further earnestly Recommend, to see that friends make their Wills, and settle their outward affairs in time of health, And where it appears that any amongst us walk not according to our holy profession, that all Such be timely dealt with agreeable to the Wholsome rules establish'd amongst us And now printed, to which we refer all Quarterly & Monthly Meetings, to pay due attention & put the Same in practice.

This Meeting hath concluded to raise Seventy five pounds for this Years Stock, your proportion of wch is Sixteen pounds Seventeen Shillings. —

With the salutation of love, We remain your affectionate friends. —

Sign'd in & on behalf of our Yearly Meeting aforesaid ---- by
Saml. Rodman, Clerk to the Meeting this Year

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Long Plain for Sandwich the 7th of the 10 Month 1786 —

The Meeting being convened & Accots. Received from the several Mo. Meetings the representatives therein named are viz

For
Sandwich. Joseph Wing. John Russell, & Richard Delano
Pembrook. Abner Hill Mordecai Ellis & John Bailey —
Nantucket. Jethro Mitchel, Peleg Easton & Saml. Rodman

Who being called are all present —

Our esteemed friend Thomas Colley attended this Meeting & produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Balby held at Sheffield in the County of York in England dated the 10th of the 3d Month 1785 expressive of their Unity with his Ministry & his making a religious visit to friends in America, to whom it is directed with Certificates of concurrence from York Quarterly Meeting dated the 30th & 31st 1785. & the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held in London, the 5th month of the same year, Which were read in this Meeting to satisfaction

The Queries with Answers thereto received from the several Monthly Meetings were herein read by which the state of Society appears, so agreeably to the summary containd in the Minutes of the 3 Mo. last that a particular description thereof seems unnecessary—

The Accots from the Monthly Meetings inform that they have all raised their proportions of the Yearly Meeting Stock, some of which is already forwarded to that Meetings Treasurer, & the rest directed in like manner.

The committee appointed at last Quarter to visit the Monthly Meetings, make the following report Viz

To the Quarterly Meeting—

Agreeable to appointment we have visited the several Monthly Meetings belonging to this Quarter & have paid such attention to the matter enjoind upon us, as the situation of the Mo Meetings seemd to require, As way opend, we afforded such advice, as from time to time occurred to our minds, And closed it with recommending the appointment of a Committee from each Monthly Meeting to visit the particular families of their members, as best adapted to effect the end of the Yearly Meetings concern.

Longplain 10 mo 6. 1786.

John Russell—
Joshua Dillingham
Jethro Mitchell
John Bailey
Paul Wing
Saml Rodman.

Which report is Accepted—

Sarah Rogers Jun. has manifested by a line directed to the Quarterly Meetings Committee her disposition of appealing from this Meetings confirmation of the judgment of Pembrook Mo Meeting in the 3d Mo last — Which is referd to the consideration of our Quarterly Meeting to be held in the 3d month for the appointment of a Committee represent the case to the Yearly Meeting in behalf of this Mg.

A Certificate directed to the Mo. Meeting of Balby in behalf of our friend Thomas Colley, was read, wch being approved was signed by the Clerk —

The time of holding Sandwich Monthly Meeting the day preceding the Quarterly Meeting on the Months that the Quarterly Meeting is held on the Main, as it interferes with the Select Quarterly Meeting, which is directed by our discipline to be held on that day, being found inconvenient — That Mo. Meeting is desired to consider of a more suitable time of holding it in those Months & inform the next Quarterly Meeting thereof for their approbation —

The business being finished this Meeting concludes & adjourns to our next Quarter to be held at Falmouth in the 12 Month next —

Sign'd by Saml. Rodman Clerk

From Our Quarterly Meeting held at Long Plain for Sandwich the 7th of the 10th Mo. 1786 —

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends at Balby, County of York Old England —

Beloved Friends. Our esteem'd friend Thomas Colley, attended this Meeting & produced your Certificate of Unity & concurrence with his visit & Ministry —

These may inform that his company hath been acceptable, his deportment exemplary, & his Gospel labours, & services among us satisfactory & edifying —

With desires for his welfare and safe return, with the reward of peace when his labours are finished, we conclude with a salutation of love, & remain.

Your friends Brethren & Sisters

Sign'd in & on behalf of our said Meeting — } by Saml. Rodman
Clerk to the Mens Meeting
Phebe Wing Clerk to the Womens Meeting —

At our Quarterly held at Sandwich the 23 & 24 of the 3 Month 1787.

The Meeting being convened & Accots received from the several Mo Meetings, the representatives therein named are — viz

For { Sandwich, Russell Brayley Jos. Wing & Benja Swift.
Pembrook. Jno Bailey. Isaac Keen & Josh Rogers.
Nantucket. William Rotch & Peleg Mitchel —

Who being calld are all present.

We are informd by friends present that there was no Quarterly Meeting held at Falmo in the 12 mo last as was intended, the severity of the Weather previous to the time it should have been held, rendered it impracticable for the representatives appointed from the Mo Meetings to get to that place, wherefore we refer to the minutes of the 11 mo last for the business that would have come in course to that Meeting —

The queries with Answrs thereto from the several Mo Meetings, were herein read, from wch general Answrs being compiled wch being likewise read were approved of by the Meetg & directed to be forwarded to the next Yearly Meeting —

The case of Sarah Rogers Junrs appeal referd from our Meeting in the 10 mo last coming under consideration we appoint Jno Bailey, Richard Delano & Abner Hill to represent it to the Yearly Meeting in behalf of this Meeting, if she appears there to prosecute it —

No conclusion appearing in this Meeting upon the alteration recommended to Sandwich Mo Meeting in the 10 mo last that matter is referd till our next Quarterly Meeting —

We are informd by the Accot from Nantucket, that some of their members residing at Dartmo in Novascotia, had requested a certifyed list of their names, & liberty to hold Meetings for Worship on first & fifth days of the week, which after being considerd of by a committee of Nantucket Monthly Meeting, they have referd it to us for our advice, whereupon we appoint Richd Delano, Joshua Dillingham, Jeremiah Austin jun, John Russell, Joseph Rogers & John Bailey, Russell Brayley, & John Wing jun to take

take their request into consideration & report their judg=
ment to the adjournment of this Meeting —

Adjournd to the 9th hour to morrow

24th day. Met by adjournment,

The committee appointed yesterday make the foll report

To the Quarterly Meeting now sitting —

We your committee app.d to consider of the matter
referd from Nantucket Mo Meeting, report, That we
think it advisable for that Monthly Meeting, to encou
rage their Members residing at Dartm.o Novascotia
in holding a Meeting as mentioned by them, until the
further direction of that Meeting — And that the
matter be referd to the next Yearly Meeting for
their advice & direction —

Signd in behalf of the Committee —
by — Jeremiah Austin jun.

Which is accepted by this Meeting —

An account to the Yearly Meeting being read &
approved, was signed by the Clerk and directed to
be forwarded, by our representatives. Who are Abner
Hill, Wm Rotch, Eben. Allen, Joseph Rogers, Joseph
Wing, Peleg Mitchel, & John Russell —

The business being finishd this Meeting concludes
& adjourns to our next Quarter to be held at Nantuck
et in the Month next

Signd by. Saml Rodman Clerk

From Our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich
the 23d & 24th of the 3 Month 1787 —

To the Yearly Meeting of Friends, next to be
held at Newport —

Dear Friends.

We rec. your Epistle of last
Year, accompanied with the transcripts of Epistles from
London, Philadelphia, & Long Island Yearly Meetings —

Agreeable to your recommendation, we appointed a
committee

committee, to visit the Monthly Meetings belonging to this quarter, to use their endeavours to remedy the causes of complaint mention'd in your Epistle —

Sarah Rogers Jun^{r} having requested an appeal from this Meeting's confirmation of the judgment of Pembrook M^{o} Meeting in the 3 M^{o} 1786. We have appointed John Bailey, Richard Delano, & Abner Hill to represent the case in our behalf, provided she appears at the Yearly Meeting to prosecute it —

We have forwarded to the Yearly Meeting's Treasurer our proportion of Stock, allotted to us last year being Sixteen pounds seventeen Shillings —

Nantucket M^{o} Meeting having communicated to us a request of some of their members residing at Dartm^{o} Novascotia for liberty to hold a Meeting for Worship on First & fifth days of the Week, & also a certify'd list of their Names. We appointed a committee to take the same into consideration, who, reported their judgment that it be laid before the Yearly Meeting for their advice & direction therein, W^{ch} being accepted, we accordingly request it —

For the State of our Meeting we refer to the Answers to the queries herewith sent by our representatives who are Abner Hill, W^{m} Rotch, Ebenezer Allen Joseph Rogers, Joseph Wing. Peleg Mitchel & John Russell —

With the salutation of brotherly love we remain

Your friends —

Sign'd in & on behalf of the Meeting

by Sam^{l}. Rodman Clerk.

Ans^{r} 1st Our Meetings for Worship & discipline, duly attended, and the hour observed by most friends: yet there is a slackness in many, in both these respects, particularly in not attending our Fourth & fifth day Meetings: Not all preserved from sleeping, with some other unbecoming behaviour when met: Some care is taken in these deficiencies

2^{d} Love & Unity not sufficiently maintain'd amongst us as becomes the followers of Christ, Yet an outward harmony generally subsists among our Members; Talebearing backbiting and evil reports discouraged, and where differences arise, endeavours are generally used to end them.

3d. The greatest part of our members are not careful enough in the education of those under their direction, neither, are they sufficiently exemplary themselves, Yet there is a concern in some, to conduct themselves & those under their direction consistently, in the particulars Queried after, we know of none in the practice of reading pernicious books, & hope there are not many- the holy scriptures are generally read in friends families, although, we fear many are not enough in the practice of reading them in the manner enquired after—

4th. We think friends are generally careful not to misuse spirituous liquors: the unnecessary frequenting of Taverns avoided, all are not sufficiently careful in the unnecessary attendance of places of public resort Moderation & Temperance are generally preserved at Births, marriages, burials & other like occasions.—

5th. The circumstances of the indigent are inspected and their necessities relieved, their children have the opportunity of learning, to fit them for business; We know of none placed out of society since our last account—

6th. We fear there are a few instances of some keeping company with those not of our Society, and that it is not discountenanced by their parents. We know not but the other parts are clear—

7th. Priests Wages & military Matters we are not tryed with; We know of none concerned in property taken in War; Nor of making false entries to evade the payment of duties: yet all are not careful in the payment of them—

8th. All are not careful enough to inspect their affairs & settle their Accots. whilst in health. We believe the greatest parts have wills, & fresh care hath been

taken

in this respect but many are very deficient, we know of no public gifts & legacies which have not been duly applied —

9th Clear.

10th We fear there is a deficiency in some in each part, in which some labour hath been bestowed.

11th All marriages are duly recorded: the recording Births and deaths too much neglected; but some care hath been taken: none removed from, or come among us, without certificates, but what are under notice —

12th — There is a small number concerned to deal regularly with offenders, without partiality or delay, & judgment is placed according to our discipline where it appears necessary. —

At our Quarterly Meeting of friends held at Nantucket for Sandwich the 26th of the 6 mo 1787

The meeting being conveand the representatives from the severall monthly meetings are

For
Sandwich, Russell Bray lay Jeremiah Austin Junr and Samuel Tripp
Pembrook, John Rogers John Bayly and Joseph Rogers
Nantucket, Peleg Folger Richard Mitchell Junr and David Green

who being Called are all present —

Daniel Starbuck is appointed Clerk to this meeting for the ensuing Year —

Our Esteemed friend William Savary attended this meeting and presented a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Philadelphia for the Northern district dated the

1st of the 5 mo last directed to Friends of New York and New England expressive of their unity with his Ministry and concurrance in this visit which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction

Adjourn'd to half a past the 3rd hour this afternoon

Met by Adjournment

Accounts from the severall monthly meetings wear received and read in this meeting. Sandwich monthly meeting inform that agreable to the recommendation of our meeting in the 10 mo last that they have alter'd the holding of their monthly meeting and this meeting thinks a further alteration might be usefully made its refer'd to their further Consideration

The Epistle from our Yearly meeting held at Rhode Island by adjournments from the 8th to the 13 of the 6 mo 1787 we received and was read in this meeting to Satisfaction by which we are informed that they have confirmed the Judgement of this meeting in the case of Sarah Rogers, Likewise we have received transcrips of the London Philadelphia and Westbury Epistles which was read in this meeting, and the seasonable advice contained in them are directed to friends serious Consideration, transcrips of which are directed to be forwarded to the severall monthly meetings

Our Yearly meeting ~~haveing~~ haveing concluded to raise £50 for the present years Stock £11-5 being Allotted to this meeting the monthly meetings are desired to raise their respective proportions thereof and forward to the Yearly meetings treasurer, Extracts from the minutes of our last

last Yearly Meeting we received which were read in this meeting by which we are informed that they have made an alteration in the time of holding Salem Quarterly Meeting which is directed to be inserted in the Book of Discipline by which we likewise find that it was the Judgement of that meeting that Nantucket monthly be left at their liberty to proceed in the Care of their members at Dartmouth Nova Scotia as they shall think proper for the present or till something further ripens in that matter respecting what meetings Jurisdiction they are or maybe under and that it is adviseable for said monthly meeting to visit them by Committee if way opens and that a Certified list of the names of such friends members of that meeting may with propriety be sent them and the Clerk is directed to furnish Nantucket monthly meeting with a copy of this minute . ,

The Clerks of the severall monthly meetings are desired to insert in the Books of Discipline the holding of Salem Quarterly meeting agreable to the extracts received from the Yearly Meeting and the Clerk of this meeting is directed to furnish them with Copys thereof . , The Queries with the answers from the severall monthly meetings were read in this meeting . A few lines were endorsed on our Beloved friend William Savary's Certificate Certifying that his Company hath been acceptable to us and his gospel labours satisfactory and Edifying which was signed herein by the Clerk ~ The paragraph in the Yearly meeting Epistle respecting a Committee of this Quarterly meeting visiting the severall Monthly meetings desireing our care in that Case is Refer'd to the consideration of next Quarterly Meeting ~

The business being finish'd this meeting Concludes and adjourns to the Quarterly Meeting in the 10mo next to be held at Long Plain

Sign'd by Danl. Starbuck Clerk

From our Yearly Meeting of Friends held at Rhode Island by adjournments from the 8th to the 13th of the 6mo 1787 inclusive, To the severall Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging. Dear Friends We have duly received your severall communications together with answers to the Queries, and our minds have been deeply affected in observing, that notwithstanding the repeated labours and advices that have been from time to time communicated to you there are still remaining many under our name, whose life is so far from being circumscribed by the truth we profess, as to give way to those things that not only unfit them for emediate service of and usefulness in the Church but also exposes them to the inundation of folly and vice whereby their minds are alienated from the principles of piety and virtue, the certain consequence of which, if not seasonably reformed are everlasting confusion and ruin, Under these humbling considerations we affectionately intreat, such to suffer not their minds to be so easily drawn aside and given up to the influence of the adversary of our immortal souls, but place your confidence in the arm of divine power, waiting for his ability to quallify your minds, and fit them for the reception of his holy word, which alone can prepare the heart for the right improvement of his heavenly manifestations, graciously administered to every one, as this is duly attended to, with an entire resignation to his will, an increase of strength will be witnessed, and your minds will be animated to every good word and work and may you of the beloved youth while your minds are yet tender and susceptable of easy impressions, give up your hearts to follow him who hath declared that his yoke is easy and his burden light, remembering ~~that remembering~~ that an early sacrefice is the most acceptable in his sight, let not the flattering allurements, and delusive enjoyments of this perishing world, which endure but for a moment induce you to neglect the heavenly visitations of devine love which are mercifully extended unto you, but be entreated to feel after it and wait for it, that thereby you may witness a growth & advancement in the truth and come up in faithfull obedience to the help of the

Lord against the Mighty — And may you dear friends, whose minds are exercised with an acceptable zeal for the maintenance of good order in the Church, be encouraged to dwell low and humble in your minds, getting down to the life that ought to be attended to, in the maintenance of our Christian Testimony, dwell in it keep near to it, so will the work prosper in your hands, and you will be enabled to maintain a constant watch over the heritage and become more usefull examples to the flock

We have at this time felt a Concern that friends may all be preserved from those allureing and ensnaring insinuations (which under pretence of greater usefulness) induce some to accept of Offices of honour or profit in the outward goverment, and haveing been fully satisfied that accepting hereof will very much unfit for usefulness in our religious Society, that we tenderly desire all Friends to be cautious how they appoint any of our members into Society services, or accept of appointments by them made who fill such stations in Goverment and that all be wisely submitting to the Cross in declining such stations And dear friends, as it is now a time wherein the minds of many are much unsettled and agitated with a variety of Commotions of outward things, we earnestly exhort all in religious fellowship with us to keep their minds free from the confusions of the times, by no means unite in them nor give any encouragement to them by any conduct of yours, as we apprehend it would be very hurtfull to all, who should give way thereto, injurious to society and reproachfull to the cause of haveing ever in remembrance the sacred injunction to Isreal of old that they dwell alone;" herein is our safety, and herein shall we experience that preservation that is as an hedge round about us.... Some exercise has attended this meeting on account of friends importing or dealing in spirituous Liquors, and the severall Quarterly & monthly Meetings are desired solidly to read and attend to the advice in the Book of Discipline page 130 on that subject, and to labour in tenderness with such of their Members as do import or deal in them in order to draw them therefrom.

Also it is advised that the two peragraphs under the head of Civil Goverment relateing to the payment of Duties &c. page 16 & 17th. be also read and friends stirred up to faithfullness therein

We observe that agreable to our recommendation last year, you have appointed Committees to visit your respective Monthly Meetings and desire you to Continue your care in that matter until the end proposed by their appointment be accomplished and that an Account thereof be sent to this meeting next year We have attended to the appeal of Sarah Rogers from the Judgment of your meeting and it having been duly considered by a committee from this Meeting in consequence of their report we have confirmd the Judgment of said Quarterly Meeting

Signed in and on behalf of our said Yearly meeting
by William Almy Clerk this Year

P.S. This Meeting haveing concluded to raise £50 this year request Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to send up to the Treasurer £11..5/8 an Acct thereof to Next Yearly Meeting

Extracts of the minutes of the Yearly Meeting of Friends held on Rhodeisland by adjournments from the 8th of the 6 mo to the 13th of the same inclusive 1787

The Quarterly meeting of Sandwich haveing requested the advice of this meeting relating to Nantucket Monthly meeting giving liberty to some of their members who have removed to Dartmouth Nova Scotia to hold a meeting for Worship on the first and fifth days of the week, at that place and to their granting them their request in sending them a Certified list of their names, the consideration of which being committed to the Committee

appointed upon the generall matters of Society,
who report that Nantuckets monthly meeting be
left at Liberty to proceed in that case as they shall
think proper for the present or till something
further ripens in that matter respecting which
meetings Jurisdiction they are or may best be
under, and that it is advisable for said monthly
meeting to visit them by a committee if way opens
and that a Certified List of the Names of such
members of that meeting may with propriety be
sent them which is adopted by this meeting, said
monthly meeting to conduct in that case accordingly

Salem Quarterly meeting also inform that
agreable to the advice of this meeting last year
they have held their Quarterly meeting for the
year past as before yet on further weighty
consideration it is their united sence that the following
alterations in the times of holding two of them will be
usefull Vizt That the Quarterly meeting at
Seabrook (formerly Hampton) be held the 7th day before
the fourth first day in the first month and that at
Dover the seventh day before the fourth first day
in the 10th month which is agreed to by this meeting
and they are permitted to hold them accordingly
and the severall Quarterly meetings are desired to
cause the alterations in the holding of said meetings to be

inserted in the Books of Discipline belonging to their respective meetings.

Extracted by William Almy Clerk this year

At our Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Long plain for Sandwich the 6th of the 11mo 1787

Received accounts from the severall monthly meetings the representatives therein named are, for Sandwich Paul Wing Russell Brayly and John Landers, for Nantucket Charles Bunker and William Hussey, Pembrock John Rogers and Abner Hill, who being called are all present.

The Clerk being absent sent a satisfactory reason and Richard Delano is appointed Clerk for this time.

The recommendation of the Quarterly meeting in the sixth month last respecting Sandwich monthly meeting makeing some alteration in the time of holding their monthly meeting in the 6mo not coming to the knowledge of that meeting, and as this meeting thinks a usefull alteration might be made the Clerk is Desired to furnish them with a coppy of this minute, The severall Monthly meetings are desired to send accounts to the next Quarterly meetings respecting their complying with the advice of the Quarterly meetings committee in the 10mo last agreable to the direction of the yearly meeting last year. Received no accounts from the monthly meeting respecting entering the alteration of

Holding Salem Quarterly meeting in the book of Discipline therefore that matter is Refered to next Quarterly meeting and friends are desired to send account to said meeting — The Queries and the answers from the severall monthly meetings was read in this Meeting — The Business being finished the meeting concludes and adjourns to the Quarterly meeting at Falmouth in the 12mo next —

Richard Delano Clerk at this time

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Falmouth for Sandwich the 14th of ye 12mo 1787

Received accounts from the severall monthly meetings the representatives their names are for
Sandwich. Richd Delano Paul King & John Russell
Pembrook - John Bayly and Joshua Dillingham
Nantucket - no Representative — who being called were all present

Richard Delano is appointed Clerk for this time

Sandwich monthly meeting not haveing compleated the service respecting the time of holding their monthly meeting in the sixth month therefore it is refered and they are desired to attend to that service and report to our next Quarterly meeting —

Received an account from Sandwich monthly meeting informing that they had complyed with the advice of the Quarterly Meetings committee in the 10mo last Year But no Account appearing from

Nantucket & Pembrook they are desired to attend to that service and report to next Quarterly meeting

The matter of Entering the time of Holding Sallem Quarterly meetings in the Books of Discipline belonging to this meeting not being fully compleated the matter is refered ~~is refered~~ and the monthly meetings are desired to attend to that service and send acount to next Quarterly meeting ~ ~ The Queries and the Answers from the severall monthly meetings was read in this meeting ~

Received an Epistle from the Yearly meeting in London in the 6mo last which was read in this Meeting to satisfaction ~ This meeting concludes and adjourns to the Quarterly meeting at Sandwich in the 3mo next Signed by

Richard Delano. Clerk at this time

The state of society appearing so agreable to the summary in the 3mo last that a particular discription thereof seems unnecessary at this time ~

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich the 28th of the 3mo 1788 ~

Received accounts from Sandwich and Pembrook whose representatives are for ~ Sandwich Russell Brayley Joseph King Zacheus Gifford & Barn:s Aikin for Pembrook John Bayley James Rogers & Joshua Dillingham who being called were all present ~

No accounts Received from Nantucket ~

The Clerk being absent Richard Delano is appointed Clerk at this time ~ This Meeting adjourns to the 10th hour tomorrow –

29th day Mett by Adjournment

The representatives all present that were yesterday this meeting Adjourns to the 7th day after the first Sixth day in the sixth month next at the Long Plain at the Eleventh Hour

7th day of the 6mo 1788 mett by Adjournment

Received accounts from Nantucket whose Representatives are Shubael Coffin Joseph Harris and Jethro Mitchell – The representatives being called are all present except Shubael Coffin and Joseph Harris – The representative from Nantucket that is present informs that he with the other two representatives that are absent, Imbarked twice in the 3mo last but were prevented getting of by conterary winds which this meeting accepts as an excuse for those that are absent, likewise for those appointed in the 12mo being prevente in like manner; It is now recommended that when it so happens that the representatives of the Quarterly or monthly meeting doo not attend that they send forward the reason of their absence in wrighting – A request from last Quarterly meeting that Nantucket and Pembrooke monthly meeting should render an account to this meeting how far they had complyed with the advice of the the Quarterly meetings committee in the 10mo 1786 and no account being presented its referred to next Quarter — Sandwich and Pembrook monthly meetings inform they have inserted in the Books of Discipline the holding of Salem Quarterly meeting and Nantucket monthly meeting is requested to send an account of their procedure in this case to next Quarterly meeting —

Nantucket and Pembrook monthly meetings inform that they have forwarded their perportion of the yearly Stock to the yearly meetings Treasurer.

The Answers to the Queries from the several monthly meetings were received from which general answers were compiled which being read — were approved and are directed to be forwarded to to the yearly meeting —

A Certificate in behalf of our Esteemed Friend Joseph Delaplain to the monthly meeting of friends at Flushing Likewise one in behalf of our friend Solomon Underhill (and Gideon Seman his Companion) to the monthly meeting of Westbury expressive of their having visited all the meetings in this Quarter to our satisfaction were read approved and sign'd by the Clerk —

An account to the Yearly Meeting was prepared and read in this meeting which being approved was sign'd by the Clerk — We appoint our friends Paul Wing Joseph Rogers Peleg Mitchell Russell Brayley Daniel Starbuck Abner Gifford & Joshua Dillingham to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting — This

Meeting Concludes and adjourns to the Quarterly meeting next to be held at Nantucket at the usial time Sign'd by

Daniel Starbuck Clerk

From our Quarterly meeting of Friends for Sandwich held at Long Plain by Adjournment the 7th of the 6mo 1788

To the next Yearly meeting of Friends to be holden on Rhode Island for New England

Dear Friends

Your Epistle of the 6mo last year with the Transcripts of the London Philadelpa and westbury Epistles together with the Extracts directed to this meeting we received and they were read to our sattisfaction, transcripts of which were sent to our severall monthly meetings

This meeting has not extended any further labour then was informid of last year with respect to Vissitting our respective monthly meetings For the state of our meeting we refer to the answers to the Queries herewith sent

We have forwarded to the Yearly meeting treasurer our perportion of the yearly stock we have appointed our friends Paul King Jethro Mitchell Joseph Rogers Russell Brayley Daniel Starbuck Abner Hill & Joshua Dillingham to attend the Yearly Meeting, Sign'd in and on behalf of our said meeting by

Daniel Starbuck Clerk.

Ans.^r 1.^st Our meetings for worship & Discipline are duly attended by a considerable number who endeavour to observe the hour, altho there are many too little concernd on those accounts, some are at times overtaken with Sleep, generally clear of other unbecoming behaviour when mett some care hath been taken on those accounts

2^d We think their are some who endeavour to maintain Love and unity as becomes the followers of Christ but their are many who have but little acquaintanse therewith, altho an outward harmony is preserved except in a few instances where care has been taken. talebearing backbiting and evil reports are generally discouraged and where defferences have arisen endeavours have been used speadily to end them

3^d There are a few of our members concerned to educate their Children in plainness but many are very neglectfull of their Care & Example herein, we fear our youth are not wholy restraind from reading pernicious Books and from mixing in the corrupt conversation of the world we think the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in friends familys altho not in the manner here queried after

4th We fear the use of spiritous liquors is not wholy confined to medecine and necessary ocasions, the unnecessary frequenting of Taverns and places of publick resort mostly Clear Moderation and temperance are observed at births Mariages and Burialls

5th Clear as far as we know

6th Clear except some few instances which are under notice

7th We beleive some goods are delt in that are suspected to be run, the other part Clear for ought that appears

8th A considerable defeciency appears in makeing Wills inspecting and settling accounts the other part Clear

9th We know not but Clear

10th We know not but Clear except a few instances some of which are under notice

11th All mariages are duly recorded the recording of births and deaths are more attended too of late than heretofore, the other part Clear

12th Not all Clear in these respects yet care is taken to deal with Offenders according to our Discipline

From our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Long Plain in Sandwich the 7th of the 6 mo 1788 by Adjournment

To the Monthly meeting of Friends at Flushing on Long Island

Dear Friends

Our Esteemed Friend Joseph Delaplain hath attended all the monthly and particular meetings within this Quarterly Meeting with your Certificate dated the 1st of the 11 mo last whose Company and Gospel labours accompanied with an exampelary conduct whilst amongst us, was much to our satisfaction, with desires for his preservation in the line of devine appointment we Conclude and remain your Affectionate Friends

Signed in and on behalf of the above said meeting

by Daniel Shadwick Clerk
Phebe King . . Clerk

From our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Long Plain in Sandwich by Adjournment the 7th of the 6 mo 1788

To the Monthly meeting of Friends at Westbury on Long Island

Dear Friends

Our Esteemed Friend Solomon Underhill hath attended all the monthly and particular meetings within this Quarterly meeting with your Certificate dated the 26th of the 12 mo last whose Company and Gospel Labours accompanied with an exampelary conduct whilst amongst us was much to our satisfaction, he was likewise accompanied by our Esteemed Friend Gideon Seeman with a copy of a minute of said meeting, whose Company and services were also very satisfactory to us; with desires, or their preservation in the line of divine appointment we conclude and remain your Affectionate Friends

Signed in and on behalf of our said meeting by

Daniel Starbuck Clerk
Phebe Wing Clerk

At our Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Nantucket for Sandwich the 8 of the 7mo 1788

Received accounts from the severall monthly meetings whose representatives are for
Sandwich Jeremiah Austin Junr Elijah Brayley
Joseph Wing & Benjn Wing
Pembrook Obediah Davis Ichabod Dillingham
and Mordica Ellis
Nantucket Benjamin Barney Richd Mitchell
David Greene Charles Bunker
Silvanus Macy and Peleg Mitchell
who being called are all present

A request from the Quarterly meeting in the 12 mo last that Nantucket and Pembrook monthly meetings should send an account to this meeting how far they have complyed with the advice of the Quarterly meetings committee in the 10mo 1786 being refered from last Quarterly meeting to this is again refer= to next Quarterly meeting= and the Clerk is directed to furnish said monthly meetings with a copy of this minute

Sandwich and Pembrook monthly meeting inform that they have inserted in the Books of Discipline the holding of Salem Quarterly meeting and Nantucket Monthly meeting is requested to send an account of their procedure in this case to our next Quarterly meeting which being refered from last Quarterly meeting to this is again refered to next Quarterly meeting and the Clerk is directed to furnish Nantucket monthly meeting with an extract from this minute

This meeting Adjourns to the third hour this afternoon

Mett by Adjournment

The representatives being called are all present

The time for which the Clerk was appointed being expired Daniel Starbuck is reappointed for the year ensuing Our Esteemed friend Samuel Emlen attended this meeting and produced a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Philadelphia for the Northern district dated the 13th the 5mo 1788 Expressive of their Concurrence with his

Religious visit to those parts which was read in this meeting to satisfaction and a few lines was indorsed on said Certificate Expressive that his Company hath been truly acceptable and his labours in the ministry and Discipline to our Comfort and Edification which was approved and signed by the Clerk. The Epistle from our Yearly meeting held at Newport by Adjournments from the 12th of the 6mo 1788 to the 17th of the same inclusive we received together with the Extracts of said meeting, with Transcripts of the London, Philadelphia and Westbury Epistles which were read in this meeting to our sattisfaction and the Clerk is directed to furnish the severall monthly meetings with Transcripts of said Epistles and extracts. We observe by the extracts received that the yearly meeting has Concluded to Raise £50 towards the yearly Stock this Quarters perportion being £11..5..0 the severall monthly meetings are desired to forward to the Yearly meetings Treasurer their perportion of said sum Viz

Sandwich Monthly Meeting	1/4
Pembrooke monthly Meeting	1/12
Nantucket monthly meeting	2/3

and report to next Quarterly Meeting and the

Clerk is directed to furnish the severall Monthly meetings with an extract of this minute

The Queries with the answers from the severall monthly meetings were received and read in this meeting and the pertinent remarks made thereon are recommended to friends serious consideration

This meeting is requested by the Epistle from our Yearly meeting to forward to the next yearly meeting a list of the members of the Select meeting and the monthly meetings are now desired to forward a list of their said members to the Quarterly meeting next preceding the yearly meeting This meeting Concludes and adjourns to the next Quarterly meeting to be held at Aponaganset at the Usual time

Sign'd by Daniel Starbuck Clerk

The State of Society remaining much as it was last Quarter we Refer to the summery of Answers to the Queries their Recorded

From our Yearly meeting held at Newport for New England from the 12th of the 6 mo 1788 to the 17th of the same inclusive To the Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging

Dear Friends

We have Received accounts

from the severall Quarterly meetings belonging hereto, together with answers to the Queries, and have been sorrowfully affected, in observing the many deficiencies therein mentioned, and have noticed with concern your information of some dealing in goods suspected to be run, do recommend a particular attention to our Testimony in that respect, that it may be preserved inviolate.

As advices have been frequently and repeatedly communicated, and much wholesome Counsel is Contained in the Epistles from London Philadelphia and Westbury on Long Island, (Transcripts of which are herewith sent) apprehend any further communications of that sort from us unnecessary at this time, fervently desiring that you may pay that attention to them as to be profitably instructed thereby. For our further advice we refer to the Extracts of this meeting which the Clerk is directed to forward herewith

Signed by direction and on behalf of said meeting by } Wm Cotch Junr Clerk to the meeting this Year

The severall Quarterly meetings are desired to

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Ebenezer Allen ..... X 0=6=8
Edward Wing ..... X 1=4=0
John Wing iunr ..... X 1=4=0
Barnabas Hoxie ..... 0=6=0
John Wing ..... X 0=6-0
Cornelius Hoxie ..... X 0=6-0
Paul Wing ..... X 0=12-0
Peleg Hoxie ..... X 0=06=0
Abner Hoxie ..... 0=6=6
James Hoxie ..... X 0=6=0
Joseph Wing ..... X 0=15-0
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Joseph Wing iunr ..... X 0=7=0
Isaack Hoxie ..... X 0=6=0
Bennet Wing ..... X 0=6=0
Ebenezer Wing ..... X 0=6=0
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Benjamin Wing ..... X 0=7=6
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6 mo 1788 then Received of Stephen Trip
& Russel Braley —— 0 = 12 = 0

forward to our next meeting a list of their members of the select Meeting

Extracts from the minutes of the Yearly meeting of Friends held in Philadelphia by adjournments from the 12th of the 6mo to the 17th of the same inclusive 1788

This meeting being sorrowfully affected with the information that diverse members of the Select meeting and meeting for Sufferings, have been induced to accept of and act in appointments to Stations of Public Office of Honor and Trust respecting outward Government, notwithstanding the Concern and Advices of this Meeting last year and feeling a fervent desire for the Restoration of all such to the Unity of the Brethren, Intreat them to relinquish and come out of those Stations and in case any should disregard the advice of this Meeting, and the labour of the said Meeting to which they belong, which is recommended to be early Extended —

It is the sense of this meeting that they do not fill their places to which they may have been called or appointed in our Society and ought not to act in any meetings as members in those stations whether of Ministers, Elders or members of the meeting for sufferings. It having been for divers years much desired by this meeting that a different arrangement of our Quarterly meetings take place, it is now agreed that the monthly meetings of Dartmouth Acoaxset and Swanzy be for one year set off from Rhode Island and added to Sandwich Quarterly meeting and it is tenderly advised that they endeavour to unite in a brotherly labour together for the promotion of the Cause of Truth, that they meet and hold their meetings the times and places heretofore except those in the 10 & 12 months which are to be held at the usual times but instead of the usual places, that in the 10 mo is directed to be held at Aponaganset and that in the 12 mo. at Bedford. That Rhode Island Quarterly meeting be held in the Spring & Summer as usual in the Hall at Portsmouth & in the winter at Providence at the usual times.

It appearing by the minutes of the Meeting for Sufferings that the Funds for the Yearly meeting School are at present through the great difficulties of Collecting them inaddequate to a proper continuance of said School, it is advised that a Vacation thereof take place till our next Yearly meeting the particular time for which to be assigned by the Meeting for Sufferings, and that the several monthly meetings be desired by the Quarterly meetings to Contribute in freedom towards an increase of the

Funds that the institution may become more generally usefull . .)

It appearing that notwithstanding the advice and intreaties of this Meeting in 1784 and last year diverse of our members have been so inattentive thereto as not yet to forbear the practice of importing trading in and handing out distilled Spirituous Liquors to the weakening of their own hands and obstructing Society from holding up this important Testimony as becometh our holy profession and a fresh exercise ariseing that these obstructions be removed it is recommended to Monthly meetings that committees be appointed to labour with all such as may continue in either of said practices, or distilling, and endeavour to prevail with them to a Cordial compliance with the advice of this meeting and if any should continue so disregardfull of the unity of the Body as to counteract them in this important concern, it is recommended that they be dealt with and if unreclaimed Testified against, as those who disregard the advice of their Brethren. and the severall monthly meetings are directed to have this minute inserted in their several Books of Discipline under the head Spirituous Liquors. This Meeting having Concluded to raise Fifty pounds Sandwich Quarterly Meeting is requested to forward to the Yearly Meetings Treasurer Eleven pound five Shillings their proportion thereof

Extracted from the minutes and Compared
Wm Rotch Junr Clerk this Year

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends for Sandwich held at Dartmouth the 6 of the 10 mo 1788

Received accounts from the several monthly meetings whose Representatives are for

Sandwich. Ruſsell Brayley, Jeremiah Austin Junr and John Ruſsell.
Pembrook. Thomas Rogers & Joshua Dillingham.
Nantucket. Shubael Coffin, Michael Paddock and Joseph Harriſs
Dartmouth. William Anthony, Abiel Gifford and John Howland
Swansey - Edward Shove, Daniel Brayton and Robert Slade
Acoaxset - William Wilber, David Ruſsell and Philip Tripp

who being Called are all present

Nantucket and Pembrook monthly meetings inform that they have appointed a Committee agreeable to the advice of the Quarterly meetings committee in the 10 mo 1786, and Nantucket monthly meeting likewise inform that they have inserted in the Book of Discipline the holding of Salem Quarterly meeting also that they have forwarded £7:10 their proportion of the Yearly Stock to the yearly meetings Treasurer — Sandwich Monthly meeting Request the advice and Assistance of this meeting in a matter they are not able to digest to mutual satisfaction, whereupon we appoint Abner Hill William Rotch Junr John Bayley William Anthony and Jethro Mitchell to unite with a Committee from the womens meeting to assist said meeting agreeable to their Request —

The Queries with the Answers from the severall monthly meetings were read in this meeting and the Clerk is Requested to make out a summary of the Answers and present to next Quarterly meeting. —

Swansey monthly meeting inform that they have appointed Edward Shove and Adonijah Upton to the place of Elders we with the concurrence of the womens meeting approve thereof and Caleb Green is appointed to inform the select meeting thereof.

Sandwich and Pembrook monthly meetings not haveing forwarded their proportion of the Yearly Stock are requested to do it and send an account thereof to next Quarterly meeting

Dartmouth Swansey and Acoaxet monthly meetings are requested to send a list of their members of the Select meeting to the Quarterly meeting preceding the Yearly meeting and the Clerk is directed to furnish said meetings with a Copy of this minute ~

This meeting received from Nantuckets monthly meeting a Certificate in behalf of our Esteemed Friend Mary Mitchell directed to Friends of Penselvania Carolina and Elsewhere, Manifesting her concern to pay a Religious visit to Friends in them parts, She appeard with it in this meeting and signified the same which being read was approved by this meeting we fealing near Unity and simpathy with her an Indorsement was made thereon and and signed by the Clerk ~

This meeting Concludes and adjourns to our next Quarterly meeting to be held at Bedford at the Useual time

Sign'd by Daniel Starbuck Clerk

At our Quarterly meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 18th day of the 12 mo 1788

Received accounts from the several monthly meetings whose Representatives are for

Sandwich. Richard Delano Ignatius Dillingham

Sandwich : Jeremiah Austin Jun.

Pembrook - Joseph Rogers & John Wrayton.

Nantucket - Benjn Barney Wm Macy & David Greene.

Dartmouth - Benjamin Taber John Devall &
Joseph Tucker Junr.

Swansey. Jonathan Chase 2nd Edward Shove &
Levi Hunt.

Acoaxset - Philip Tripp David Russell &
John Mosher.

who being called are all present -

Nantucket monthly meeting informs that our friend Mary Mitchell having found a stop in her mind thinks herself Released from the concern she had manifested of makeing a Religious visit to some parts of the Southern Governments and hath in consequence thereof returned the Certificate she had for that purpose with our Endorsment to that meeting which they accepted being well sattisfied with her circumspection therein -

The Committe appointed at last Quarter to visit Sandwich monthly meeting Report that according to appointment they had Visitted said meeting and had given them such advice as appeared necesary and notwithstanding it was accepted by them, yet it was their Judgment considering the State of that meeting the further labour of a Committee to visitt some of the perticular meetings belonging to that monthly meeting might be usefull which Report is accepted by this meeting and they are continued to proceed in that service as way may open and report to next Quarterly meeting —

Sandwich & Pembrook monthly meetings not having forwarded their proportion of the yearly stock are requested to do it and send an account thereof to next Quarterly Meeting —

A summary account of the state of this meeting compiled from the answers to the queries in the 10 mo last was read in this meeting which is approved and is as followeth — Viz —

By the reports from the severall monthly meetings, the state of Society appears to be as follows That all meetings for worship on first day of the week and those for discipline are duly attended by the greatest part of our members Those for worship on other days of the week are considerably neglected, and some are over taken with sleep at times, — That a good degree of Love & Unity are

are maintaind amongst friends but ingenerall not so extensively as becomes the followers of Christ. That our Testimoney respecting plainneſs, the disuse of Spiritous liquors, Slavery and the other branches of our Christian Diſcipline appears to be generally pretty well maintaind, Altho not without diverse exceptions which were mostly under the notice of Friends

The Queries with the Answers from the severall monthly meetings were read in this meeting And the state of Society appearing agreable to the summary of 10th month last, think a perticular description thereof unnecesary at this time

The womens meeting inform that agreable to the recommendation from Swanzey monthly meeting they had approved of Phebe Robinson as a Minister with which this meeting unites.

Dartmouth monthly meeting informs that with the concurrence of their womens meeting they have appointed Joseph Tucker Junr & Rhoda Tucker to the station of Elders and requested the approbation of this meeting we with the concurrence of the womens meeting approve thereof and Caleb Green is appointed to inform the Select meeting of the same and of our uniteing with Swanzey monthly meeting in approving of Phebe Robinson as a Minister

The business being finished — This meeting Concludes and Adjourns to our next Quarterly meeting to be held at Sandwich at the usial time

Sign'd in and on behalf of said Meeting by

Daniel Starbuck Clerk

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich the 27th of 3d mo. 1789. The Clerk being absent Wm Rotch Junr is appointed Clerk for this time.

We received accounts from the several Monthly Meetings whose representatives are

for Sandwich. Joseph Wing, Russell Brailey & John Landers.
Pembroke. Abner Hill, J:s Rogers & Isaac Keen
Nantucket. Peleg Easton, Peleg Macy, & Paul Gardner Jr
Dartmouth. Wm Anthony, Benjn Taber, Wm Barker Jr & Wm Rotch Junr.
Swanzey. Edwd Shove, Adonijah Upton & Moses Buffington.
Acoaxet. Jeremiah Austin Abner Potter & Ebed Davis.

who being called are all present.

The general Epistle from our brethren at their Yearly Meeting in London last year was received & read to our satisfaction.

The Committee appointed to attend Sandwich Monthly Meeting, Report that they have attended said Meeting & several Meetings thereto belonging, also visited several particular families, & communicated such advice as they thought necessary, in wch they found a degree of satisfaction, which report is acceptable to this meeting.

Sandwich & Pembroke Mo. Meetings inform they have forwarded to the Yearly Meetings Treasurer their proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock. The likewise inform they have inserted in their several Books of Discipline the Minute of last Yearly Meeting respecting Spirituous Liquors, & the representatives from the other Mo. Meetings inform it is likewise inserted in theirs.

The several Monthly Meetings having agreeable to our request forwarded Lists of the Members of their respective Select Meetings, which is directed to be forwarded in our account to the Yearly Meeting & also to be recorded together in the latter part of this Book.

The Queries were read & the Answers from the several Monthly Meetings, likewise General answers compiled from them, which answers being ~~read~~ approved are directed to be forwarded to our next Yearly Meeting.

The Womens meeting having appointed a Committee to visit our several Monthly Meetings proposed to us to unite with them for that service a Committee, after deliberate consideration we think best to refer it to the consideration of next Quarterly Meeting.

We have appointed our friends, Jeremiah Austin Jun. Joseph Farris, Joseph Wing, Moses Buffington, Abner Potter, Peleg Easton, John Bailey & William Rotch Jun. to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting & report to next Quarterly Meeting.

1789 3mo An account being prepared for our next Yearly Meeting was read approved & signed by the Clerk

The business being accomplished this meeting concludes & adjourns to the usual time at Nantucket

Signed on behalf of said Meeting by
Wm Rotch Junr: Clerk at this time

From our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich
27th of 3d month. 1789.

To our next Yearly Meeting at Rhode Island.

Dear Friends

We received your Epistle of last year together with transcripts of several Epistles & Copys of several minutes therewith communicated, all which were transmitted to our Monthly Meetings & attention has been paid thereunto.

We are informed from our Monthly Meetings that they have all forwarded to your Treasurer our proportion of the Stock.

Agreeable to the direction of the Yearly Meeting we are informed by the accounts from two Monthly Meetings & by the representatives from all the others, that the minute upon the Subject of Spirituous Liquors has been entered in our books of Discipline.

We herewith transmit a List of the members of our Select Meeting. Likewise our answers to the Queries to which we refer you for the state of our Meeting.

We have appointed our friends Jeremiah Austin Junr Joseph Harris, Joseph Wing Moses Buffington, Abner Patten, Peleg Easton John Bailey & Wm Rotch Junr to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting. Signed on behalf of our said Meeting by Wm Rotch Junr Clerk at this time

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Answers to the Queries.

1st. All our Meetings for Religious Worship appear to have been kept up, except two small meetings one day each, one of them through sickness & the other the inclemency of the Weather; Those on first days are pretty well attended, but we think those on midweek & for Discipline are not duly attended by one half of our members, the hour mostly observed, drowsiness appears at times with some other indecencies in most of our meetings, in which some care has been taken.

2nd Love & Unity in some degree maintained amongst us altho' there is a manifest want of that true love & unity that becomes the followers of Christ, talebearing & detraction somewhat discouraged, where differences have arisen, care hath been taken to end them.

3d. There is a concern with some to train up those under their direction in plainness as queried after yet we think the greatest part of friends are very neglectful of their duty in those important points, pernicious Books & the corrupt conversation of the World too prevalent, examples being wanting in many that are heads of families, the Holy Scriptures are read but we think not as queried after.

4th. The use of Spirituous Liquors not wholly confined to necessary occasions, in which some labour has been bestowed. Frequenting Taverns avoided not so clear of frequenting places of public resort, in which some care appears to have been taken. As to the *latter* part, a good degree of Moderation hath appeared.

1789 3mo 5th We know not but clear in each part, except one child placed out from among friends wch is under notice.

6th We fear not wholly clear in either part in which care has been taken.

7th We think friends are generally careful in these respects.

8th There appears a considerable deficiency in settling accounts, & making wills, some care is taken respecting the latter, Public Gifts and Legacies have been duly applied.

9th We know not but clear.

10th A few Friends are deficient in performing promises & seasonably paying their debts, for which some labour has been bestowed. Friends are mostly careful of undertaking more business than they are able to manage consistently with our profession.

11th Marriages are all recorded, some neglect in the Recording Births & Deaths, in which it appears some care has been taken. As to removals without Certificates clear excepts two instances under Notice.

12th There is a number in each meeting concerned to deal regularly with all offenders, & to place Judgment, where it may appear necessary according to discipline. Yet we fear the accomplishing those weighty services in due season is sometimes delayed.

1789 6mo

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held on Nantucket for Sandwich the 30th day of 6th mo: 1789.

We Received accounts from the several Monthly Meetings whose representatives are

For Sandwich. Russell Brailey, John Russel & Benjn Wing.
Pembroke John Bailey & Abner Hill.
Nantucket Jethro Mitchell, Silvanus Macy, Wm Brown & Stephen Macy.
Dartmouth. Benjn Taber, Seth Russell, Benjn Smith, John Howland & Jonn Hart.
Swanzey. Stephen Slade & Azariah Shove.
Acoaxet. Jeremiah Austin & David Devol.

Who being called are all present except Stephen Slade, prevented by indisposition.

The extracts from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting were received & read, and the matter therein mentioned respecting the situation of some of the members of Nantucket Monthly Meeting removed to Dartmouth in Nova Scotia, coming under consideration we appoint William Anthony, Wm Rotch Junr Benjn Barney, Jeremiah Austin Junr John Bailey, Jeremiah Austin, Abner Hill, David Greene, John Russell, & Wm Coffin, to consider thereof and report to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This meeting was attended by our esteemed friends Benjamin Worth, who produced a Certificate from Purchase Monthly Meeting the 9th of 4th mo: last, and George Martin who produced

6mo in a Certificate from Concord Monthly Meeting the 6th of 6th mo. last, both expressive of their Unity with them as Ministers & also in their concern to make us a Visit, Likewise our friend James Mott attended this Meeting with a Copy of a minute from said Purchase Mo: Meeting, expressing their unity with him as an elder & concurrence with his accompanying our said friend Benjn. Worth in his religious Visit.

Also our friend John Talbot attended this meeting with a Copy of a Minute from Concord Mo: Meeting 3d of 6th mo last expressing their unity with him as an Elder & concurrence with his accompanying our said friend George Martin in his religious Visit. and Samuel Ro

Our esteemed friend Rebecca Jones attended this Meeting & produced a Certificate from Philadelphia Mo: Meeting for the Northern District the 2d of present month expressing their unity with her as a minister & with her making a religious visit to these parts.

Samuel Rodman Wm. Mary & Richard Mitchel are appointed to prepare endorsments for them & bring to the adjournment of this meeting.

Jeremiah Austin in behalf of the Representatives informs that they all attended the Yearly Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 5th hour this afternoon.

Met by adjournments

The Representatives all present

The time for which the Clerk was appointed being expired Wm. Rotch Junr. is appointed Clerk for the ensuing Year. & the former Clerk is directed to deliver him the Books & papers belonging to this Meeting. 1789 6mo

The accounts from the several mo: Meetings were read, as also the Queries & their answers, w.ch spreading the State of Society before us, and this Meeting being affected with the consideration of the many deviations from the several branches of our Christian Testimony and the neglect that in some instances appears in the due administration of our wholesome Discipline after solid deliberation we appoint Joseph Harris, Jeremiah Austin, Jethro Mitchell, John Bailey, John Russell, Abner Hill, Benj.n Faber & W.m Rotch jun to unite with a Committee heretofore appointed by the Womens meeting to visit the several monthly & Preparative Meetings, & such particular Meetings or individuals as may appear best, & in the ability that Truth may afford to Labour in them for the revival of a concern in our members for the due observance of our several religious duties enjoined by our Holy Profession, & make report to a future Quarterly Meeting.

Transcripts of the Epistles from the Yearly Meetings of London Philadelphia & Westbury on Long Island were read to satisfaction, & Transcripts of them being made out they are directed to be forwarded to the several Monthly Meetings as also transcripts of the Epistles & Extracts from our last Yearly Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 11th hour tomorrow.

7mo 1. met by adjournment

The Yearly Meeting having concluded to Raise £50 — have requested us to forward £18.12.5

1789 6mo Which sum is appointed to the Monthly Meetings in the following manner, which they are requested to forward to the Yearly Meetings Treasurer as soon as may be & an account thereof to this Meeting. Sandwich £2.16.3 Nantucket £7.10 Pembroke 13/9 Dartmouth £5.6 Acoaxet £2.1.5

In consequence of the Report of the Committee to consider the matter recommended by the Yearly Meeting respecting Friends in Nova Scotia.

It is our advice that Nantucket Monthly Meeting appointed a Committee to visit their members residing at Dartmouth Nova Scotia & if on their Report said meeting shall think that the mode of consummating Marriages amongst them might be adopted with reputation to Society that they be at liberty to establish such mode as may to them appear best & most consistent with our Discipline & that they report their doings to our next Quarterly Meeting.

Endorsements were made upon the Certificates of our friends Rebecca Jones, George Martin & Benjamin Worth, expressing that their conduct had been examplary & their religious services satisfactory & edifying, likewise upon the Copys of the Minutes in behalf of our friends James Mott & John Talbot, expressing that their conduct had been examplary & their company acceptable which being approved were signed by the Clerk.

It is concluded that in future when the Quarterly Meeting may be held on Nantucket

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that the Meeting for Worship; begin at the 10th hour.

The Clerk is directed to forward Extracts of the necessary minutes to the Monthly Meetings.

The Meeting House at Dartmouth being thought unsuitable to hold the Quarterly Meeting in we adjourn to the usual time of Meeting in the 10th month at Bedford

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
by Wm Rotch junr Clerk.

Extract from Minutes of Yearly Meeting 1789

The Committee on General services Reported that it was their judgment that Dartmouth & Acoaxet Monthly Meeting be set off & remain to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting & that Swanzey Monthly Meeting remain to Rhode Island Quarter. this Meeting approves thereof & directs that the said Quarterly Meetings be held in future at the places & at the times fixed upon last year.

The manner of making reports coming con- under consideration it is the sense of this Meeting that when Committee makes verbal report to any of our Meetings, that they all stand up that are present at the time of delivering the same, thereby manifesting their assent thereto.

The situation of some of the members of Nantucket Monthly Meeting removed to Dartmouth in Nova Scotia coming under consideration it is recommended to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to take into consideration & by a Committee or otherwise advise & assist

6mo 1789 Nantucket Monthly Meeting in affording to those friends settled there, such authority advise & assistance, as may enable them to consummate Marriages amongst their members in a manner as near as may be to the orderly practice of Friends, as the nature of their situation will admit. taking care that the marriage certificate be recorded in Nantucket Monthly Meeting record Books.

Extracted from the minutes & compaired
Wm Rotch Junr Clerk this year

From our yearly Meeting of Friends held on Rhode Island for New England, by adjournments from 11th of 6mo to 16th same inclusive 1789.

To the Quarterly Meetings hereto Belonging
Dear Friends

We have duly received your several communications and attended to the State of Society as exhibited by your answers to the Queries & with a Solicitous concern for your advancement, proceed to offer a few remarks, to which we desire your serious attention.

The formation of Religious Society being principally designed, firstly, to bear a public Testimony for God, & his truth, in such manner as we are convinced of the same, Secondly, to be mutually helpful in promoting one another in an holy consistant walking. The deficiencies manifested by your answers, in these particulars, hath been afflicting to our minds, especially respecting the unprecedented manner in which you have transmitted an account of the attendance of your meetings: 1789 Lond

That friends in this day of Light, wherein we have liberty to attend to our respective religious concerns unmolested, shou'd be so inattentive to a principle, upon which the being of us as a people, appears to have essentially commenced at a time when faithfulness to its dictates was attended with sufferings unto Death. Manifests a declension, which as it conferrs reproach upon the individuals who are the objects of complaint, so it calls aloud for the interposition of Society to put a stop to a conduct which if persisted in will terminate in its dissolution. Oh Friends that a people whose ancestors accounted nothing near or dear when it came in competition with their religious Testimonies, and who profess themselves bound by divine conviction faithfully to maintain the same, shou'd so flagrantly swerve aside from the lines of their duty, trampling upon the sufferings of those who have gone before them, cannot but be offensive to that God, who hath signally manifested himself for their help.

The right administring of Society Labour being a matter of much concernment, & perceiving that this essential service of the Church is not always seasonably administered, we are concerned to advise that Quarterly & Monthly Meetings take due

1819 6mo care in this respect, not suffering deviations to remain unnoticed until they become offences, which demand the attention of Overseers, but that friends be careful to guard against every appearance of Evil, timely cautioning the inexperienced & unwary, and encouraging all in a conduct conformable to our holy profession; to which purpose we desire that suitable persons may be appointed or reappointed, in the several Monthly Meetings as way may open, to exercise a Godly care on behalf of Society, in these respects, agreeable to Discipline.

We also further desire that as we above all the familys of the earth, profess to believe in & frequently exhort to an inward retirement, in order to be acquainted with the Divine Will, that we be careful to be found in the practice of the same, not only when assembled in our public collective capacities, but when at home in our families.

The right education of our Youth, being a subject of concern to this meeting, & feeling desirous that they may be brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. We tenderly advise that parents & those to whose care the education of youth is committed, be vigilent & careful in the discharge of a trust so important. "Train up a Child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it", a great means of the present defection in the youth of our Religious Society we believe is the want of an early care being extended towards them. We therefore fervently exhort that early endeavours be extended, to educate our Children in an orderly becoming manner, teaching them obedience to their parents, & a respectful demeanour when before their elders & superiours which would have a tendency to initiate them into that stillness & reverent attention in the attendence of our religious Meetings, which our principles inculcate as that which the nature of Divine Worship requires. 1789 6mo

And we recommend that the advice contain'd in our books of Discipline under the Heads, Children & Parents and Guardians be read in each Monthly & Preparative Meetings, & it is tenderly advised that friends be renewedly engaged to labour after the necessary qualifications to discharge the duties therein recommended.

Signed by direction & on behalf of
said Meeting by Wm Rotch Junr Clerk
to the Meeting this year.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 3d of 10th mo. 1789. 1789 10mo

Accounts from the several Monthly Meetings were received by which it appears that the following friends were appointed Representatives Vizt. for Sandwich, Joseph Wing Obediah Davis, John Landers & Paul Wing junr.

Pembroke, Joseph Rogers & Joshua Dillingham

Nantucket, Silvanus Macy, Peleg Mitchell, Shubael Coffin & Simeon Russell.

Dartmouth Joseph Tucker Junr Abiel Gifford & William Gifford.

Acoaxet David Devol, Joseph Wilbur & John Mosher.

1789 who being called are all present.

10mo. The Queries were read with answers from the several Monthly Meetings, which spreading the State of Society before us many pertinent remarks were made thereupon & recommended to the due observance of friends.

By accounts from our several Monthly Meetings we are informed that since our last Quarterly Meeting our Esteemed friend Zachariah Ferris & John Simpson have made a Religious visit to several of the Monthly Meetings and all the particular Meetings hereto belonging, in which their Gospel Labours have been to edification, & comfort, Likewise our friend Robert Johnson Companion to our friend Z. Ferris attended with him, whose company & services were acceptable. And the Clerk is directed to forward to the Monthly Meetings of Wilmington & Wrightstown Copies of this minute as far as it respects each of them.

Sandwich Monthly Meeting in their account inform that they have appointed Joseph Wing to the Station of an Elder with which this Meeting concurs, & Jeremiah Austin is appointed to inform the Select Meeting thereof.

Nantucket Monthly Meeting having forwarded a Copy of a Minute of their Month. Meeting dated 28th of last month respecting their proceedings in consequence of the advice of our last Meeting, as follows Copy of said Mi

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nute. so far as relates to the Order prescribed for the consummation of Marriages, which is to our satisfaction. Viz:

The Committee appointed in the 7th mo: last to visit our Members residing at Dartmouth Nova Scotia having performed that service, among other things made the following report. Viz:

The following mode for consummating Marriages among them, we think may be as expedient in their present situation, and as near the orderly practice of friends as circumstances will admit.

That when any friends are desirous to proceed in marriage, that they acquaint the overseers thereof, who are advised to inform friends by themselves, at the close of a Fifth day meeting. & at their fifth day Meeting following, after that for Worship is concluded, that a preparative meeting be allowed for the purpose of proposing their intentions of marriage with eachother: That a minute thereof be made, & two friends of both Men & Women be appointed to inspect their clearness &c. they to report to a like Meeting, four Weeks from that time, and if no obstruction should appear, that they then be allowed to proceed, the Meeting taking care to appoint suitable persons to oversee their Marriage & report their sense thereof, at another Meeting, Keeping a record of their whole proceedings. who are requested to transmit to Nantucket Monthly Meeting a Copy of said minutes with the Marriage

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Certificates from time to time in order for their inspection & recording the same.

Which being read & weightily considered is accepted & the several recommendations therein contained adopted, as a rule in future respecting them, until an alteration may be thought adviseable. Extract from the Minutes of our Monthly Meeting held on Nantucket the 28th of 7th mo. 1789

Saml. Rodman Clerk.

The Committee appointed to visit our several Meetings made the following report. Vizt.

According to our appointment we have attended all the Monthly Meetings & most of the preparative & Particular Meetings belonging to the Quarterly Meeting & have therein laboured in the ability afforded for a revival of a concern in our Members for the due administration of our wholesome Discipline, and an increase of attention to the several branches of our Christian Testimony, which has been attended with a good degree of satisfaction. And considering the State of several of our Monthly Meetings it is our judgment that a new arrangment of some of them may be usefully made, which we recommend to the attention of the Quarterly Meeting — Signed on behalf the Committee

10mo 2. 1789 by Jethro Mitchell
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Which report is acceptable to this Meeting, and We appoint Abiel Gifford, Paul Wing, Eber Davis, Joseph Rogers, Stubael Coffin, James

Davis Samuel Rodman & Jonathan Hussey to 1789
take into consideration their proposal re- 10m
specting a new arrangement of some of our
Monthly Meeting to confer with the late
committee thereupon & to visit such branches
of our Meeting as may be thereby affected
in order to discover the usefulness of such
arrangement & report their sense thereof
to our Next Quarterly Meeting.

The business of this Meeting being
accomplished we adjourn to the usual
time of Meeting at this place in the
12 mo next - Signed on behalf of the
Meeting Wm Rotch Junr Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting held at New- 12mo
Bedford for Sandwich, the 11th of 12th mo. 1789

Accounts from the several Monthly Meetings
were received by which it appears that the
Representatives are as follows Viz.t for

Sandwich, Russell Brailey, Jeremiah Austin jun.r
John Russell & Joseph Wing 2nd
Pembroke, Joseph Rogers & Mordecai Ellis.
Nantucket. Shubael Coffin, Benjamin Barney
and Paul Gardner jun.r
Dartmouth, Caleb Russell, Benjamin Smith
& Joseph Etus.
Acoaxet. Abner Potter & Noah Gifford.

who being called are all present.

The Queries were read with answers from
the Monthly Meetings, the State of Society solidly
considered & some useful observations thereupon

1789 12mo: were recommended to the attention of Friends.

The Monthly Meetings of Sandwich Nantucket Dartmouth & Acoaxet inform that they have directed their several proportions of the yearly Meeting Stock to be forwarded to the Treasurer.

Acoaxet Monthly Meeting in their account inform that they have appointed Susanna Russell & Abigail White to the station of Elders, with which this Meeting concurs & James Davis is appointed to inform the Select Meeting thereof.

The Committee appointed last Quarterly Meeting report that they have consulted the late Committee respecting their proposals of a new arrangment of some of our Monthly Meetings, & found their prospect was that the Meetings of Longplain and Acushnet be taken from Sandwich Mo: Meeting, & Bedford Meeting from Dartmouth Mo: Meeting & they together to constitute a new Monthly Meeting, & that they have visited the meetings likely to be affected thereby, but are not ready to make farther report at this time, they are still continued to the care of that Matter & to report at next Quarterly Meeting.

The Clerk informs that he has forwarded as directed, Copies of the minutes of our last Quarterly Meeting respecting our friends Zachariah Ferris, John Simpson & Robert Johnson, to the Monthly Meetings to which the respectively belong

The business of this Meeting being accomplished we adjourn to the usual time of Meeting at Sandwich in the third Month next. &

Signed in behalf of this Meeting Wm Rotch Junr Clerk

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At our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich the 26th of 3d mo. 1790 – Accounts were received from our several Monthly Meetings with answers to the Queries. The Representatives therein appointed are for Sandwich, Jonathan Taber, Joseph Wing
Paul Wing & Zaccheus Gifford.
Pembroke. Joseph Rogers & Isaac Keen.
Nantucket, Shubael Coffin & Silvanus Worth.
Dartmouth. Abiel Gifford. Wm Gifford & James Davis.
Acoaxet. Joseph Wilbur & David Russell.
who being called are all present.

The Clerk of this Meeting being absent through indisposition of body, Jeremiah Austin Junr is appointed Clerk for this time.

The Committee to consider of a new arrangment of some of our Meetings, inform they are not ready to make a conclusive report at this time, wherefore that matter is referred to our next Quarterly Meeting under their care.

The Queries were read with answers from the several Monthly Meetings, & some observations upon the deficiencies therein contained communicated were recommended to the attention of friends.

Sandwich Monthly Meeting having proposed for our consideration, the altering the time of holding our Quarterly Meeting in the 10th month from the 7th day before the 2d sixth day. to the first sixth day in said month – which appearing to us more useful, we approve thereof, & it is concluded that the proposed alteration be inserted in our account to the Yearly Meeting for their consideration.

Pembroke Meeting inform that they have sent their proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock to their Treasurer.

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We appoint Jeremiah Austin, John Wing Junr. Joseph Wilbur, James Davis, Isaac Keen, Jethro Mitchell, Joseph Rogers & Eber Davis to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting as Representatives.

A Certificate in behalf of our esteemed friend Isaac Everitt, to the Monthly Meeting of Monallen in Pennsylvania, was prepared, approved & signed by the Clerk. He having since our last Meeting visited some of our Monthly & most or all our particular meetings to much satisfaction.

Answers to the Queries were compiled, an account for the Yearly Meeting was prepared which being approved was signed by the Clerk

Signed in & on behalf of our said Meeting
by Jeremiah Austin Junr. Clerk
at this time.

To Monallen Monthly Meeting, Pennsylvania
Dear Friends

Our esteemed friend Isaac Everitt, attended the Meetings within our Quarterly Meeting, with your Certificate dated 5mo. 11th. 1789. whose labours in the Ministry were to our edification & comfort, his life & conversation corresponding therewith.

With desires that his labours, may be attended with the reward of peace, we remain your affectionate friends and brethren

Signed on behalf of our Quarterly Meeting of friends held at Sandwich 3mo 26. 1790.
by Jeremiah Austin Junr. Clerk
at this time

To our Next Yearly Meeting on Rhode Island 1790
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Dear Friends

We received your Epistle of last year, together with extracts from the minutes, which have been duly attended to, also the several Transcripts of Epistles have been read in our Meetings to our edification.

We have concurred with the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich in the appointment of Joseph Wing & with that of Acoaxet in the appointment of Susanna Ruſsell & Abigail White to the Station of Elders.

By accounts from our several Monthly Meetings it appears that they have directed our proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock to be forwarded to the Treasurer.

Agreeable to your recommendation we have given Nantucket Mo: Meeting such advice as appeared neceſsary respecting their Members residing at Dartmouth Nova Scotia, Who have since visited them by a Committee, & agreed upon a Mode for the consummation of their marriages, which has received our approbation & is as follows. That when any friends are desirous of proceeding in Marriage, they acquaint the Overseers thereof (there being four under appointment in that meeting) who are advised to inform friends by themselves at the close of a fifth day Meeting, and at the close of their fifth day Meeting following after that for worship be concluded, that a preparative Meeting be held, for the purpose of proposing their intentions of marriage with each other; that a minute

1790 thereof be made, & two friends of both men &
3mo women be appointed to inspect their clearness
&c. they to report to a like Meeting four
weeks from that time, & if no obstruction
should appear, they then be allowed to proceed.
the meeting taking care to appoint
suitable persons to oversee their marriage
& report their sence thereof. at another
meeting, keeping a Record of their whole
proceedings, who are requested to transmit
to Nantucket Mo Meeting a Copy of said
Minutes with the Marriage Certificates
from time to time in order for their inspection
& recording the same.

It is our judgment that an alteration
in holding our Quarterly Meeting in the
tenth month, might be useful, Viz.t that
instead of its being held on the seventh day
before the second sixth day, it be held on
the first sixth day of said tenth month.

We have appointed Jeremiah Austin
John Wing Jun.r Joseph Wilbur, James Davis,
Isaac Keen, Jethro Mitchell, Joseph Rogers
& Ebe Davis, to attend the ensuing Yearly
Meeting.

The Queries were read & answers prepared
in this Meeting, which are sent by
our representatives.

Signed in & on behalf of our said
Quarterly Meeting By Jeremiah Austin Jun.r
Clerk at this time

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Answers to Queries.

1st. Our Meetings are all attended, those on first days by the greatest part of our Members, those on other days are somewhat small. the hour generally observed. not all clear of Sleeping at times, mostly clear of other unbecoming behaviour, ~~not~~ all clean of it. yet not ~~w~~ without some exception. Some care taken.

2 - Love & Unity in some Good degree is maintained among us, although an increase thereof is desired, talebearing, backbiting and the spreading evil reports are discouraged. & care is taken to end differences when they appear.

3 A number of friends are careful in the education of their youth under their care. but a deficiency appears in many in a religious care to bring them up in the manner queried after not being so good examples themselves as would be best. The scriptures are generally read in friends families, tho' we believe, not much in the manner recommended. —

4 We believe the too frequent use of spirituous Liquors are generally avoided. tho not without exception, care taken, frequenting of Taverns & places of public resort, mostly clear, as to births Marriages &c moderation generally observed.

5. The necessities of the Poor appear to be attended to, & they releaved, & care is taken respecting children, two only placed out.

6 We fear all are not careful to discourage those under their care accompanying, on account of marriage without their consent, not all clear of keeping company with those not of our Society ~~Care~~ in which care is taken.

1790 3mo 7th. As to Priests Wages & military matters clear except in one instance in which care is taken.

8. Friends are not all so careful as would be best in making their wills & settling their accounts whilst in health on which account care is taken, public Gifts and Legacies are duly applied.

9 Clear

10. We think all are not so careful in these respects as would be best, some care is taken.

11. Marriages are duly recorded, births & deaths not generally, latter part not wholly clear.

12. A number of friends are careful to put the Discipline in practice against offenders in some good degree as recommended.

1790 6mo. At our Quarterly Meeting for Sandwich held on Nantucket 29th of 6mo. 1790

Accounts were received from the Monthly Meetings, the Representatives therein named are for
Sandwich, John Ruſsell, Joseph Wing & Richard Delano
Pembroke, Mordecai Ellis & John Bailey.
Nantucket, Samuel Rodman, & David Greene.
Dartmouth, Benjamin Taber, Abraham Smith, Thomas Mott & Caleb Barker.
Acoaxet, Ebenezer Eddy, Abner Potter, Isaac Sowle & Prince Wing.
Who are all present.

Our beloved friend Daniel Offley being present on a religious visit presented a Certificate from Philadelphia

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Monthly Meeting for the Southern District 28 of 4 mo & Philadelphia Quarterly Meeting 3 of 5 mo last, expressing their Unity with him as a Minister & concurrence in his concern to visit Friends in the Governments of New York & New England. Also his Companion John Morton presented a Certificate of Concurrence from the same Monthly Meeting 26th of 5th mo last, which were read to satisfaction.

The Queries were read with Answers from the several Monthly Meetings, which opening the State of Society, some seasonable observations upon the deficiencies reported therein were made, & the further consideration thereof is refered to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 4th hour this afternoon.

Afternoon met by adjournment.

By the Reports from the several Monthly Meetings A Summary of the State of Society has been collected, which was read & considered, & is as follows.

1 Our Meetings for Religious Worship on first days & those for Discipline appear to be pretty well attended, & those for Worship on midweek days, much neglected in all the Monthly Meetings, Drowsiness & sometimes Sleeping appears.

2. There appears a concern to subsist in each Meeting for the maintaining Love & Unity, to discourage evil reports & to end differences, but the greatest part of our members appear too indifferent on these important concerns.

3. Our Testimony concerning plainness & the Education of the Youth, is supported in a good degree in each meeting by a small number, Reading pernicious books & Corrupt conversation, in a good degree guarded against.

4. Our Testimony against the unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors gains ground. Moderation on the account of Marriages births & burials is mostly preserved.

1790 6mo 5. Care is generally taken for the relief of the necessitous & instruction of their Children.

6. Our Discipline respecting orderly proceeding in marriages appears pretty well observed. & but few instances of any countenancing disorderly marriages.

7 Our Testimony appears to be maintained against the payment of Priests wages as such, & Military matters, & likewise against defrauding the Public Revenue.

8 A considerable deficiency appears in Friends' duly inspecting their affairs, settling accounts and making Wills

9. Our Testimony against Slavery appears to be maintained, yet some fears are expressed respecting the education in Religion & Virtue of those who have been held in Slavery.

10. All are not sufficiently careful in the timely payment of their just debts, on which account some care has been taken.

11 The recording Marriages is duly attended to, much deficiency appears in those of births & deaths.

12 A care rests on each Meeting for the Orderly dealing with Offenders & placeing judgments when it appears necessary.

This Meeting having been affected with the consideration of the information received by the accounts from Dartmouth & Acoaxet Monthly Meetings, that one of each of their Preparative Meetings had not in a regular manner forward to their last Meetings answers to the Queries. After solid deliberation we appoint, John Russell, Jethro Mitchell Joseph Wing, David Greene, Peleg Easton, Abner Hill & John Bailey, to visit those Monthly And their preparative Meetings, & endeavour as Truth may open the way to excite in them a greater attention to our wholesome Order, not only on the present occasion but in the different branches of our Christian Testimony.

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This Meeting is informed that four of the friends appointed representatives to the Yearly Meeting attended, & that the others sent satisfactory reasons for their absence.

The following Extracts from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting were received & read Viz.

"By request of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting it
"is Concluded that their Meeting be in future held in
"the tenth month on the first Sixth day."

"It is concluded that Certificates granted by Monthly
"Meetings to Ministering Friends whose concern
"may extend out of the limits of this Yearly Meeting,
"may be best signed at large in the Monthly Meetings
"by Friends in their Freedom both men & women."

"This Meeting having concluded to raise thirty
"pounds for the ensuing Year, Sandwich Quarterly
"Meeting is desired to forward £11.3.6 their propor-
"tion to our Treasurer."

Extract from the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting held on Rhode Island 6mo. 1790. Wm Rotch junr Clerk

The Monthly Meetings are desired to forward to the Yearly Meetings Treasurer the following proportions of the Yearly Stock & an account thereof to our next Quarterly Meeting. Sandwich £1.13.9 Pembroke 11/3. Nantucket £4.10 Dartmouth £2.17.8 Acoaxet £1.10.10

The Committee who had under consideration a new arrangement of some of our Monthly Meetings not being qualified to report are again continued with a request to give due attention to their appointment, & report to next Quarterly Meeting.

Our beloved Friend Elizabeth Drinker, present on a religious Visit, presented a Certificate from Philadelphia Monthly Meeting 30th of 4mo & their Quarterly Meeting 3d of 5mo.

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last expressing their Unity with her Ministry and concern to visit friends in New England. Also her companion Hannah Yerkes presented a Certificate from Philadelphia Monthly Meeting for the Northern District 25th of 5 mo last, expressing their Unity with her as an Elder & with her concern to accompany our said friend, which were read to satisfaction & their accompanying acceptable to us,

We received an Epistles from our last Yearly Meeting with transcripts of the London, Philadelphia & Westbury Epistles which were read to our comfort & the Clerk is directed to forward Copies thereof as also of the Extract from the Yearly Meeting to each Monthly Meeting who are requested to pay due attention to their advices & particularly to that from our Yearly Meeting.

An endorsment was made upon the Certificate of our friend Daniel Offley, expressing that his company & religious labours among us have been acceptable & to our Comfort. Also one on that of our friend John Morton, expressing that his company & service hath been acceptable to us, both which were signed by the Clerk.

The time for which the clerk was appointed having expired, the appointment of one for the ensuing year is referred to next Quarterly Meeting & the present Clerk is continued until that time.

The Meeting House at Dartmouth not being compleated, we adjourn to the time now fixed in the tenth month at New Bedford.

Signed on behalf of said Meeting
by Wm Rotch Junr Clerk

At Sandwich Quarterly Meeting held at New Bedford 1st of 10th mo. 1790

By accounts from the several Monthly Meetings the Representatives appear to be from

Sandwich, Joseph Wing, John Russell, James Hoxie,
Russell Braley, Prince Gifford & Jonathan Taber.
Pembroke, Isaac Keen, & Joshua Dillingham.
Nantucket, William Brown, William Macy & Robert Gardner jr.
Dartmouth. Abiel Gifford, Thomas Hazard jr. & Jno Howland.
Acoaxet. Prince Wing, Abner Potter, Joseph Tripp & Noah Gifford.
who are all present;

William Rotch Junr. is appointed Clerk & Caleb Greene Assistant for the ensuing Year.

The Queries were read with the Answers from the several Monthly Meetings, by which there appears remaining several deficiencies in the different branches of our Christian Testimony.

Sandwich Pembroke & Dartmouth Meetings inform they have directed their several proportions of the Yearly Meeting Stock to the Treasurer. Nantucket and Acoaxet having given no information thereof, are desired to forward their proportions & inform our next Meeting thereof.

Several of the Monthly Meetings inform that since our last Meeting they have had the Company of our friends, Joshua Brown, Benjamin Swett, Hugh Judge & his Companion James Mott, & that their religious services have been to acceptance & satisfaction.

Certificates were prepared for our said friends, read & approved & the Clerk is directed to have them Transcribed & forward to the Meetings to which they belong.

The Committee to visit the Meetings of Dartmouth, 1790 10mo and Acoaxet report they have visited them accordingly & laboured in them in the ability afforded in a good degree to their satisfaction.

The Committee to consider of the proposed arrangments of some of our Monthly Meetings, made Report but this meeting after solid deliberation, thinking it necessary that our consideration of a new arrangment be further extended, do release the former Committee & appoint Jeremiah Austin Abner Potter, John Mother, Benjamin Chase, Peleg Easton & Prince Wing to Visit Sandwich Pembroke & Dartmouth Monthly Meetings & such other of their Meetings as they may think best, & endeavour to find in the Wisdom of Truth, what alteration if any had best be made & report to next Quarterly Meeting.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Drinker & her Companion Hannah Yerkes having visited most of our Monthly & particular Meetings, Certificates were prepared for them ~~approved~~ expressing that their Company & religious services have been to edification, which being approved were signed by the Clerks.

The business being accomplished we adjourn to the usual time in the 12th month at this place ~ Signed on behalf of the Meeting by Wm Rotch Jun Clerk

To Friends of Nottingham Monthly Meeting.

Our beloved friend Joshua Brown having attended all the Meetings hereto belonging, we hereby Certify that his Company & Gospel labours, have been to satisfaction amongus & his Conduct & Conversation examplary. With desires he may be favoured to ~~return~~ accomplish his labours to the peace of his own mind & return to you again We remain your friends & Brethren

Signed on behalf of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting held at Bedford 2 Wm Rotch Jun " Clerk

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To Friends of Wilmington Monthly Meeting.

Our beloved friend Hugh Judge having attended most of our monthly & all our particular meetings we hereby Certify that his company & Gospel labours have been to satisfaction among us. & his conduct & conversation examplary. with desires he may be favour'd to accomplish his labours to the peace of his own mind, & return to you again we remain your friends & brethren

Signed on behalf of our Meeting by
Wm Rotch Junr Clerk

To friends of Haddonfield Monthly Meeting.

Our beloved friend Benjamin Swett, having attended all our particular Meetings, We hereby Certify that his ~~labour~~ Company & Gospel labours have been to satisfaction among us. & his Conduct & conversation examplary — with desires that he may be favoured to accomplish his labours & return to you with the reward of peace, we remain your friends & brethren — Signed on behalf of our said Meeting by Wm Rotch Junr Clerk

To friends of Purchase Monthly Meeting.

Being informed from most of our Monthly Meetings that our friend James Mott Companion to our friend Hugh Judge has attended our said Meetings & all the particular Meetings hereto belonging, we hereby certify that his Company & services have been acceptable & his Conduct & conversation examplary — Signed on behalf of our said Meeting
by Wm Rotch Junr Clerk

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At our Quarterly Meeting held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 10th of 12th mo. 1790.

We received accounts from all the mo= Meetings except Nantucket by which it appears that the Representatives are as follows. For Sandwich Paul Wing, Prince Gifford Ezekiel Brailey & Jeremiah Austin Junr

Pembroke, John Bailey, & Abner Hill

Dartmouth, Benjamin Taber & Joseph Tucker

Acoaxet. Philip Tripp Ephraim Potter & David Wood, Who being called are all present.

Acoaxet in their accounts inform, that they have directed their proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock to be forwarded to the Treasurer, as desired.

The Queries were read with answers from all the Monthly Meetings except Nantucket, by which we are again sorrowfully affected with the prevailing deficiencies that are reported by them, as also the little labour there appears to have been bestowed.

Four of the Committy appointed last Quarter report verbally, that they have Visited the several meetings for which they were appointed, & bestowed what attention they suppose necessary for the present, to the subject of a new arrangment of some of our Meetings, but as it is their judgment that it will be best to defer the matter it is accordingly continued under their care untill our next Quarterly Meeting, and they are desired to give such further attention to the State of those Meetings, that they may find necessary, & report their Judgment at that time

The business being accomplished this Meeting adjourns to the usual time in 3 mo. next.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting by
Wm. Rotch Junr Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 25 of 3mo 1791.

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Accounts were received from our Several Monthly Meetings, by which we find the Representatives from said Meeting are, For

Sandwich, Jeremiah Austin Junr Joseph Wing Prince Gifford & John Ruſsell.

Pembroke, William Howland & Joshua Dillingham

Nantucket, Peleg Easton. Wm Brown & Obed Mitchel

Dartmouth, Joseph Tucker Benjamin Taber and James Davis.

Acoaxet. Philip Tripp, Jeremiah Austin & Ephraim Potter. Who being called are all present.

An account was received from Nantucket Monthly Meeting, directed to our last Quarterly Meeting, & we are informed that their Representatives, appointed to attend that Meeting were prevented by Contrary Winds, Said account informs that they recommend William Brown to the appointment of an Elder, if it meets our approbation. With which appointment this meeting concurs, & John Bailey is appointed to inform the Select Meeting thereof.

The Queries were read & answers from the Several Monthly Meetings from which summary answers are drawn to be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting.

Nantucket Monthly Meeting in their account inform they have forwarded to the treasurer their proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock.

The Committee appointed in 10 month to visit Sandwich Pembroke & Dartmouth Monthly Meetings inform they have attended those Meetings, but that the way does not at present open to them for any useful arrangements to be made in those Meetings Wherefore they are dismiſsed.

Sandwich Monthly Meeting in their account & by one of their Representatives, having refered to our Consideration the situation of our meeting Houses

at Rochester Acushnet & Longplain occasioned
1791 by Timothy Davis & his Adherents claiming a
3mo: property in them, & holding Meetings in one of them at the same time of Friends Meeting.

This Meeting considering that it is a matter that concerns the Society at large, thinks best to refer it to the Yearly Meeting for their determination

Jeremiah Austin, John Wing Junr Jethro Mitchell William Brown, Prince Gifford, John Bailey Jeremiah Austin Junr & William Rotch Junr are appointed to attend our next Yearly Meeting as Representatives.

An account being prepared for the Yearly Meeting was signed by the Clerk.

The business being accomplished we adjourn to the usual time at Nantucket.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting by
Wm Rotch Junr Clerk

From our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich
25th of 3mo: 1791

To our next Yearly Meeting at Rhoda Island

Dear Friends. We duly received your Epistle of last year together with your several communications therewith sent which were recommended down to our Monthly Meetings to their particular Observance.

We are informed from our several Monthly Meetings that our proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock has been all forwarded to the Treasurer.

Sandwich Monthly Meeting having refered to our consideration, the Situation of our Meeting Houses in Rochester Acushnet & Longplain occasioned by Timothy Davis & his Adherents Claiming

a property in them, & holding Meetings in one of them at the same time of Friends Meetings. 8/91 3mo
This Meeting considering that it is a Matter that concerns the Society at large, thinks best to refer it to the Yearly Meeting for their determination.

We herewith forward our Answers to the Queries to which we refer for the State of our Meeting.

We have appointed Jeremiah Austin, John Wing Junr, Jethro Mitchel, William Brown, Prince Gifford, John Bailey, Jeremiah Austin Junr & William Rotch Junr to attend our next Yearly Meeting as representatives

Signed on behalf of said Meeting by
Wm Rotch Junr Clerk

Answers to the Queries.

1st 1. Our meetings for Worship, & Discipline are attended on First days by most Friends, yet some neglect on that day, & on other days of the Week a greater deficiency appears. — The Hour generally observed — Sleeping and other unbecoming behaviour at times obvious; in which it appears some care hath been extended.

2. — Love and Unity not so fully maintained as becomes the followers of Christ, Talebearing, Backbiting &c not enough discouraged, endeavours are used to end differences when they appear.

3. A few friends are concerned to bring up those under their direction, in plainness, & to restrain them from reading pernicious Books, & the corrupt conversation of the World, & are good examples herein themselves; but the greatest part are far too neglectful in those important concerns. — The Scriptures are usually read in families, yet not much in the manner queried after.

4. — We know not but generally clear of the unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors, & frequenting of Taverns, & places of resort too much frequented. — We believe mod

1791 moderation is preserved at Births, Marriages &c

3mo 5. — The necessities of the Poor are inspected & they relieved, some deficiency appears in the education of their Children; none placed out since our last account.

6. — We think all are not so careful as would be best to discountenance their Children, keeping company on account Marriage without their consent; some of the unmarried are careful to proceed orderly on those accounts; — A few instances of keeping company with those not of our Society, in which care is said to be taken. — Generally careful to discountenance disorderly Marriages.

7. — We know not but clear.

8. — All are not sufficiently careful to inspect their affairs, & settle their accounts, as would be best, a considerable deficiency appears with respect to Wills, we know of no publick Gifts, & Legacies but been duly applied.

9. — Clear as far as appears

10. — We believe friends are mostly careful in performance of their Promises, & payment of Debts, when deficiencies appear care hath been extended. — We think friends are mostly careful not to launch into business beyond their ability to manage in the truth.

11. — Marriages Births & Deaths mostly recorded, Burials none recorded. — the latter part clear except a few instances which are under notice.

12. A good degree of care is taken to deal with Offenders, & judgment placed where it appears necessary according to our Discipline.

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At Sandwich Quarterly Meeting held on Nantucket 28th of 6mo. 1791

Accounts from our several Monthly Meetings being presented, the representatives therein named are. For

Sandwich, John Russell, Jeremiah Austin Junr, James Hoxie, Elijah Bradley & Benjamin Wing.

Pembroke. John Bailey, & Joshua Dillingham

Nantucket. Richard Mitchel, Samuel Rodman, William Brown, & Peleg Mitchel.

Dartmouth. Benjamin Taber, William Anthony & Zephaniah Eddy.

Acoaxet. Abner Potter, Prince Wing, & Noah Gifford.

Who being called are all present, except Joshua Dillingham, whose reason for absence is Sickness in his family.

This Meeting was attended by our Beloved friends Samuel Emlen, & Thomas Scattergood, who produced Certificates from Philadelphia Monthly Meeting, for the Nothern District. 24th of 5mo: last expressive of their near Unity with them as Ministers, & their concern in this Visit.

Also our friend Caleb Cresson attended this Meeting in company with our Friend Thomas Scattergood & presented a certificate from the same Monthly Meeting, expressing their concurrence in his accompanying our said friend; which were read to our satisfaction

Our friend William Mitchel attended this Meeting with the concurrence of Nine Partners Monthly Meeting as appears by a Copy of their Minute 20 of 5mo: last, which he produced, & was read to our satisfaction.

The Queries were read with the Answers received from the several Monthly Meetings, & the State of Society communicated thereby, being painfully affecting to the sincere hearted, through the prevalence of the abundent deficiencies, that appear throughout our Meetings is a cause of deep mourning, & giving Rise to pertinent Observations thereupon, — they are forcibly recommended

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to the Practical attention of Friends Present in their Particular Meetings.

Adjourned to the 5th hour this afternoon

Met by adjournment.

Our beloved Friends Mary Ridgway & Jane Watson attended this Meeting, & presented Certificates, the former from Mountmelick Monthly Meeting 10 of 4 mo: & the latter from Edenderry Monthly Meeting 22° of the same 1789. with Certificates from the Quarterly Meeting for Leinster Province held in Dublin 1 of 5 mo: & from the half Years Meeting of Ministers & Elders for Ireland held in Dublin the 2 & 6th days of the same 1789. Expressive of their near Unity with our s'd friends as Ministers, & their tender Sympathy & concurrence with them in their concern to make a Religious Visit to friends in America all which were read in this Meeting to our Satisfaction and their Company & Gospel Labours have been much to our Edification & Comfort.

Our Esteemed Friend Sarah Lundy attended this meeting, with a certificate from Kingwood Monthly Meeting in the 10th mo: & from Shrewsbury & Rahway Quarterly Meeting same Month 1790. Expressive of their Unity with her Ministry and also with her Concerns to visit friends in Nova Scotia & New England which was read, & her Company & Gospel Labour, have been acceptable & Satisfactory to us.

Likewise her Companion Elizabeth Martin attended this Meeting, with a Minute of Rahway & Plainfield Monthly Meeting, 10th of 5 mo: last. expressing their Unity with her as an Elder, & concurrence with her accompanying our said friend.

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Also our friend Wm Shotwell attended with a Certificate from Rahway & Plainfield Monthly Meeting 18th of 11 Month Last, expressing their Unity with him as an Elder, & with his accompanying our friends Sarah Lundy & Companion in their Religious Visit.

Likewise our friend Jesse Copeland having accompany'd our friends Mary Ridgway & Jane Watson to this Meeting produced a Certificate of concurrence from the Monthly Meeting of the Western branch of Isle of White County, Virginia. 2nd month Last. All which were read to our satisfaction, & their Company is acceptable to us.

An Epistle was receiv'd from last Yearly Meeting together with transcripts of the London Philadelphia & Westbury Epistles, & the Weighty & seasonable advices contained in them is earnestly recommended to the Solid attention of friends, in their Monthly & particular Meetings.

Extracts from the Minutes of our said Meeting were receiv'd & are as follows, & the several Monthly Meetings are desired to have such parts as are therein directed entred in their several Books of Discipline

And the several monthly Meetings are desired to forward to the Yearly Meetings treasurer their following proportions of the Yearly Meeting Stock, & an account thereof to this Meeting. Viz. Sandwich £2.16.3, Pembroke £".18.9, Nantucket £".10." Dartmouth £4.16.2, & Acoaxet £2.11.3.

An endorsement was made upon the Certificate of our beloved friend Samuel Emlen, & was read, expressing that his company, & Religious Labours have been to our edification & Comfort. — Also one upon the Minute of our friend William Mitchel, expressing that his Company & Service have been acceptable to us.

1791 6mo The Clerk is directed to forward to the Monthly Meetings, such Minutes & transcripts as are directed for them.

This Meeting feeling a near Sympathy with our friend Sarah Lundy, in the concern She hath apprehended, laid upon her to Visit friends in Nova Scotia, do appoint Benjamin Worth, Jethro Mitchel, Jonathan Shaw, David Greene Jeremiah Austin, Samuel Rodman to confer with her and if her concern continues, to render her what assistance may be necessary for the prosecution of her visit.

The business being accomplished we adjourn to the usual time of Meeting in the Tenth Month at Dartmouth.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting by
Wm Rotch Junr Clerk

10mo: At our Quarterly Meeting held at Dartmouth for Sandwich the 9th of 10 mo 1792.

The Accounts being presented the Representatives therein named are For

Sandwich. John Russell Jeremiah Austin &
Prince Gifford.
Pembroke. Isaac Keen, Joseph Rogers &
Mordicai Ellis.
Nantucket. Jonathan Jenkins, James Barker,
Libni Gardner & Samuel Rodman
Dartmouth. William Anthony Thomas Hicks
John Howland, Jonathan Hart, & Thos Hazard Junr
Acoaxet. John Mosher, Levi Tripp, & David Wood
who being called are all present.

By the Accounts from Dartmouth & Acoaxet it appears, that they have collected their proportions of the Yearly Meeting Stock, & Directed it to be forwarded to the Treasurer.

& The Queries were read with the Answers from 10mo. the several Monthly Meetings, by which the minds of a remnant, are Sorrowfully Affected with the many deficiencies that are still Prevalent amongst us.

The Committee appointed last Quarter, to confer with, & render the necessary Assistance to our friend Sarah Lundy, report that her concern having continued they had rendered her assistance in furnishing what was necessary for the accomplishment of her concern agreeable to appointment.

Dartmouth in their account inform that our beloved friends Mary Ridgway & Jane Watson, have visited all their Meetings, & that their Gospel Labours were to Edification.

Also that our friend Thomas Scattergood, & his Companion Caleb Cresson, have attended Some of their Meetings Wherein their services were very acceptable.

Our beloved friend Thomas Scattergood having attended our last Quarterly Meeting, and also several Other Meetings in this neighbourhood, his Gospel labours therein have to Edification, & his company & examplary conduct, has been to the Satisfaction of friends.

Likewise our friend Caleb Cresson having attended with him, his services & examplary conduct has been acceptable & Satisfactory, & the Clerk is directed to forward a Coppy of this Minute to Philadelphia Monthly Meeting for the Nothern Destrict on their behalf.

A certificate being prepared in behalf our friend Sarah Lundy directed to Kingwood Monthly was approved, & signed by the Clerk, & is as follows.

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To the Monthly Meeting of Kingwood

Dear Friends

Our beloved friend Sarah Lundy having attended our last Quarterly Meeting, produced your Certificate, & being also present at this on her return from Nantucket. We may now inform you that by accounts receiv'd from the Meeting at Dartmouth near Halifax a branch of Nantucket Monthly Meeting, her visit was acceptably received, & tended to edification among them & others, that it extended to; in the interior parts of that Country.

She hath visited many of the Meetings within the Verge of this Quarter, Where her Gospel labours have been well accepted.

With desire for her preservation & safe return to her family & friends with the reward of Peace, we remain your friends.

Signed on behalf said Meeting by
William Rotch jun.r Clerk
Phebe Wing. Clerk

The time having expired for which the Clerk was appointed, William Rotch Jun.r is again appointed for the ensuing year.

It being found expedient that we should have established a fund or Stock for the necessary expences of the Quarterly Meeting: We conclude to recommend the Sum of £30_ to be raised by the several Monthly Meetings, in the Proportion the Yearly Meeting Stock is usually subscribed, & they are desired to forward their Proportions to our treasurer.

Thomas Rotch is appointed treasurer for this Meeting.

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Benjamin Taber, John Howland, Samuel Rodman, & Jeremiah Austin Junr. Are appointed to Inspect & Audit all accounts against this Meeting & when approved to draw Orders upon the Treasurer for the Payment of them.

The business being accomplished we adjourn to the usual time in 12month at Bedford.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting by
Wm Rotch Junr Clerk.

Proportions of the Quarterly Meetings Stock

Sandwich . . .	4. 10. 4
Pembrook	1. 10. 2
Nantucket . . .	12. 2. "
Dartmouth	7. 15. "
Acoaxet	4. 2. 6
	£30. —

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At Sandwich Quarterly Meeting held At Bedford the 9th of 12mo 1791.

Accounts were received from all the Monthly Meetings except Nantucket, by which it appears that the Representatives are for

Sandwich. Russell Brailey, Ignatius Dillingham & John Russell.
Pembrook. Joshua Dillingham, & John Bailey.
Dartmouth. Benjamin Taber. Thomas Mott, & William Anthony.
Acoaxet. David Irish. John Mosher & Lovett Tripp.

Who being called are all present

The Queries were read with Answers Answers from all the Monthly Meetings except Nantucket.

And a concern being manifested in this Meeting on account of the many deficiencies which still prevail amongst us. After Solid deliberation we recommend to the several Monthly Meetings to take this subject under weighty consi

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consideration, & if way should open that they appoint solid and exemplary friends to proceed in the ability that truth may afford to visit friends in their several families, and endeavour to stir up our Members to more solid attention to the several branches of our Christian testamonies and the Clerk is directed to forward a Copy of this Minute to each of our Monthly Meeting.

Dartmouth Monthly Meeting in their account inform that a proposition having been for several Months under their consideration respecting the division of their Monthly Meeting, they have concluded to refer the Matter to us for our assistance and advice. Whereupon we appoint Eber Davis John Russell, Philip Tripp, Abner Hill, William Macy, John Mosher, & John Bailey, to visit the several branches of that Monthly Meeting and as truth may open the way afford them assistance and advice in behalf of this Meeting, & report to our next Quarterly Meeting.

The business being accomplished we adjourn to the usual time of meeting in the 3rd Month at Sandwich.

Signed on behalf the Meeting
W^{m} Rotch Jun^{r} Clerk.

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At our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich the 23rd of 3mo 1792

Account were received from the several monthly Meetings, by which it appears that the Representative are. for

Sandwich. Paul Wing W^{m} Wing & Jeremiah Austin Jun^{r}

Nantucket. Peleg Mitchel Silvanus Macy Obed Mitchel & William Macy.

Pembroke. William Howland & Joseph Rogers
Dartmouth. Joseph Tucker James Davis & Wm Gifford
Acoaxet. Abner Potter John Mosher & David Russell
Who being called are all Present

Sandwich, Pembroke, & Nantucket Monthly Meetings inform in their accounts that they directed their several Proportions of the Yearly Meeting Stock to be forwarded to the Treasurer.

Pembroke Nantucket Dartmouth & Acoaxet Monthly Meetings inform they have proceeded agreeable to our recommendation to the appointment of a committee to Visit the families of friends

Sandwich Nantucket, Dartmouth, & Acoaxet Monthly Meetings inform they have forwarded to our Treasurer their several Proportions of the Quarterly Meeting Stock.

The Committee ~~of~~ to Visit Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, & the several branches thereof report that they have proceeded according to appointment and think the matter had best be continued, and an addition made to the comittee whereupon we appoint Joseph Wing & Shubael Coffin to unite with them in the service of their appointment, & report thereupon to our next Quarterly Meeting.

Nantucket monthly Meeting inform in their account that they have had under consideration and are united in Judgment, that it will be to their advantage to build a new Meeting house, for the accommodation of a Second Meeting and remove the Old house to a place more central ~~&~~ if the Quarterly Meeting approves thereof. wherewith we concur, & leave them at liberty to proceed therein as said Meeting may think best.

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The Queries were read with the Answers from the several Monthly Meetings & also general answers compiled therefrom, the Latter meeting the approbation of this Meeting are directed to be forward to the yearly Meeting.

Nantucket monthly Meeting informs they have appointed Silvanus Macy ~~the~~ 2d to the station of an Elder, which meeting the approbation of this Meeting we appoint Shubael Coffin to inform the Select Meeting thereof.

Sandwich Monthly Meeting having by copy of a minute proposed a new arrangment of time and place for holding some of their Monthly Meetings in future which being approved by this Meeting are as follows Vizt

At Sandwich in the first, Third, fifth, eighth, & eleventh months, at Falmouth in the Seventh, ninth, & twelfth months at Long plain in the Second, fourth, Sixth & tenth Months on the first Sixth day in each month except in the seventh & tenth Months, that in the seventh month to be held the Sixth day after the Quarterly Meeting at Nantucket, & that in the tenth Month to beheld the fourth day before the first Sixth day in Said Month

An acct was presented from Nantucket monthly Meeting directed to our meeting in twelfth Month last, and in their last account they inform that the circumstance of the weather was such as prevented the friends attending who were under appointment.

We appoint Abner Potter Joseph Tucker Silvanus Macy Prince Gifford Peleg Mitchel

Jeremiah Austin & Mordecai Ellis to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting

An acct being prepared for the Yearly Meeting was approved & Signed by the Clerk.

The business being accomplished we adjourn to the usual time in the next month at Nantucket

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
by Wm Rotch Junr Clerk

From our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich the 23rd of 3rd mo 1792.

To our next Yearly Meeting

Dear Friends

We duly received your Epistle of last year which was read to our ~~satisfaction~~ edification & comfort, & the weighty and seasonable advice therein contained was recommended to our respective ~~Monthly~~ Meetings as were also the transcripts of the several Epistles & the extracts from the yearly Meeting minutes.

By accounts from our Monthly Meetings it appears that they have directed their several proportions of the Yearly Meeting Stock to be paid to the Treasurer.

Since our last yearly Meeting we have been favoured with the company of our beloved Friends Mary Ridgway & Jane Watson from Ireland who have visited all the Meetings hereunto belonging wherein their Gospel Labours have been to the instruction and edification of the honest Hearted.

We have concurred with Nantucket monthly Meeting in the appointment of Silvanus Macy to the ~~appointment~~ Station of an Elder.

We have appointed our friends Abner Potter Joseph Tucker, Silvanus Macy Prince Gifford Peleg Mitchel Jeremiah Austin & Mordecai Ellis to attend the Ensuing Yearly Meeting.

1792 3mo We herewith forward our Answers to the Queries towhich we refer for a State of our Meeting

Signed on behalf our said Meeting
by Wm. Rotch Junr. Clerk

Answers to the Queries.

Ans 1. All our meetings for Religious Worship and discipline are duly duly attended by a considerable number, although some are deficient herein, particularly in attending mid Week Meetings. tho' now pretty well attered some indecencies appear particularly Sleeping for the removal of which labour hath been bestowed

2. Love and unity in a good degree maintained among us, but not so fully as Queried after, there are a number who are engaged to discourage tale bearing backbiting and evil reports, but greater attention thereto appears necessary, where differencies have arrisen care hath been taken to end them.

3. Some Friends are endeavouring to bring up those under their care in Plainness while others fall much short therein, and all are not good examples herein themselves. we think mostly clear of pernicious books. all are not not clear of the corrupt conversation of the World. the Scriptures are frequently read but not much in the manner Queried after, some care is taken for amendments in these Respects.

4. The unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors generally avoided, yet there are some who indulge themselves therein, in which cases labour hath been bestowed, we believe all are not so careful

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ful as Truth calls for the attendance of publick resort, a good degree of moderation and temperance appears at Births Burials & Marriages

5. The circumstances of the Poor are inspected their necessities relieved, some shortness in Regard to their Children's partaking of Learning. we think if friends were more Generally careful to employ the poor it would be useful, one or two placed out, which is under notice.

6. We think mostly clear except a few instances of company keeping out of the Unity of Friends which are under notice

7. Clear except one instance of being concerned in Military Matters for which Labour hath been bestowed.

8. A Shortness appears in Inspection of affairs settling accounts and making Wills. for amendment of which Labour hath been extended, Gifts and Legacies applied.

9. Clear except there be a shortness in encouraging in Virtue.

10. Some defect in timely paying debts, also in launching into business beyond their abilities to manage in the truth. in some cases where grounds of fear hath been given in either of these respects, Care hath been taken.

11. Marriages duly recorded. in recording births Deaths and burials a great shortness. the other part clear except a few instances under notice

12. We apprehend there is a Care resting on the minds of some friends for soundly regular dealing and placing Judgment where and when necessary agreeable to discipline, yet we believe in individuals there is generally too great a Lukewarmness & indifferency in this ~~respect~~ great and Essential Work.

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At our Quarterly Meeting held in Nantucket for Sandwich 26th of 6mo 1792

Accounts were received from all the Monthly Meetings whereby it appears that the following friends were appointed representatives Viz from Sandwich Richard Lake Elijah Braley & James Hoxie

Pembroke. Joshua Dillingham & Isaac Keen
Nantucket. Obed Marshall. Richard Mitchell Peleg Mitchel & Silvanus Macy.
Dartmouth. James Davis. Thomas Mott Wm Anthony & John Howland.
Acoaxet. Jeremiah Austin & Abner Potter.

Who being called are all present.

Our beloved Friends John & Benjn Reeve having attended this meeting produced Certificates from Greenwich Monthly Meeting in the State of New-Jersey expressing their Unity with their Ministry & concurrence with their concern to pay a religious visit to friends in the Eastern States of this Continent also concurring Certificates from Gloucester and Salem Quarterly Meetings held at Salem in New Jersey 21st of 5th mo 1792. all which were read to our satisfaction.

Sandwich Monthly Meeting in their acct inform that they have proceeded to the appointment of a Committee to visit friends in their several families agreeable to our recommendation in the 12mo last adjourn'd to half past three this afternoon.

Afternoon met by adjournment.

Nantucket Monthly Meeting in their account inform that they having weightily considered the appearances of Elizabeth Worth in the Ministry, recommend her as a Minister whose gift and exercise they fully united with - with which recommendation this Meeting concurs and Jonathan Stacy is appointed to inform the Select Meeting thereof -

Pembroke Monthly Meeting in their account inform they have forwarded their proportion of the Quarterly Meeting Stock to our Treasurer -

The Queries were read and answers from the several Monthly Meetings whereby the State of Society being opened and solidly considered, many pertinent observations were recommended for practical observance, in order for the removal of some of the deficiencies which prevail among us -

The Committee to visit Dartmouth monthly Meeting and the several branches thereof, not having attended to their appointment, are requested to give attention thereunto and report to next Quarterly Meeting

- An Epistle was received from our last Yearly Meeting together with Transcripts of the London and Philadelphia Epistles, which were read to satisfaction also the general printed Epistle from the Yearly Meeting of London 1791 was received and referred to the next Quarterly Meeting -

The Yearly Meeting having requested us to forward £18..12..5 our proportion of £50 for the Yearly Meeting Stock the several Monthly Meetings are requested to forward to our Treasurer their following proportions (viz) Sandwich £2..16..3 Pembroke 18/9 Nantucket £7..10 Dartmouth £4..16..2 Acoaxet £2..11..3 -

We are informed that all the representatives attended the Yearly Meeting except Mordica Ellis for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered to that Meeting - William Brown. Samuel Rodman.

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William Macy Elisha Macy & Obed Mitchell are appointed to have the Epistles transcribed and forwarded to the several Monthly Meetings –

The Representatives having considered and proposed our raising £15 for the Quarterly Meeting Stock the several Monthly Meetings are desired to forward their following proportions to our Treasurer Sandwich £2..5..2 Pembroke 15/1 Nantucket £6..1.. Dartmouth £3..17..6. Accaxet £2..1..3 –

The Yearly Meeting having given us liberty to appoint two friends to be members of the Meeting for sufferings we therefore appoint Jeremiah Austin Richard Delano William Macy Joshua Dillingham & William Rotch Junr to consider of some suitable friends for that service & propose their names at our next Quarterly Meeting –

The company and Gospel labour of our beloved friend John & Benjamin Reeve at this Meeting having been to our comfort and Edification, the preparing Certificates thereof is refered to our next Quarterly Meeting as it's probable their service will be more extensive among us –

The business being accomplished we conclude and adjourn to the usual time of meeting in the 10mo next at Dartmouth –
Signed on behalf of the Qut Meeting by –

Wm Rotch Junr Clerk.

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At our Quarterly Meeting

held at Dartmouth for Sandwich the 5th 10mo

Accounts were received from all the Monthly Meetings whereby it appears that the following

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friends were appointed Representatives Viz from Sandwich, Joseph Wing, Russel Brailey & James Hoxey ~ Pembroke, William Howland & Zaccheus Estes ~ Nantucket - Prince Gardner Abishai Bunker, Robert Gardner Junr & Saml Rodman Dartmouth, Benja Taber, Joseph Tucker & Thos Hazard Junr ~ Acoaxet, John Mosher, Prince Wing & Nathaniel Maccomber ~

who being called are all present except Prince Gardner Abishai Bunker & Robert Gardner Junr. Sandwich, Nantucket & Dartmouth in their Accounts inform they have raised & forwarded their proportions of the Yearly & Quarterly Meeting Stock.

The Committee appointed to visit Dartmouth Monthly Meeting report that they have weightily considered the subject of dividing that Meeting and think it best that the Friends of New Bedford particular Meeting be set off and constitute a New Monthly Meeting which with the concurrence of the womens Meeting is accepted, and the division concluded upon to take place after next Quarterly Meeting and Paul Wing Russel Brailey and John Mosher are appointed to confer with Dartmouth Monthly Meeting respecting the line of division and also a suitable time for the holding said Meeting and report to our next Quarterly Meeting

The Queries were read with answers from the several Monthly Meetings by which we are sorrowfully affected with the weaknesses and deficiencies that are apparent thereby in some of our Meetings ~

This Meeting being weightily impressed

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10mo. with the reports from Pembroke Monthly Meeting that Love and Unity are much lacking among friends, after solid deliberation we appoint John Russel. Jereh. Austin Joseph Wing & Benja. Taber to visit that meeting as also such of the members thereof as they may find necessary and labour in the ability which Truth may afford for their help and the restoration of Love and Unity and report their sense of the situation of that meeting to our next Quarterly Meeting.

The Committee appointed last Quarter having proposed Joseph Wing & Thos. Hazard Junr. for appointment as members of the meeting for Sufferings, they are accordingly appointed & the Clerk is directed to forward a Copy of their appointment to that meeting

A Certificate was prepared in behalf of our Esteemed friends John & Benja. Reeve directed to Greenwich monthly meeting NewJersey which being approved was signed by the Clerk. See page 263 for Certificate

Nantucket monthly meeting having in their account proposed to our consideration the inconvenience of holding this meeting at this place and proposing that in future the meeting in the Tenth month should be held at NewBedford, is referr'd to our next Quarterly meeting for further consideration. The time having expired for which the Clerk was appointed, the present Clerk is continued untill next Quarterly meeting and the Representatives are desired to propose a friend for that service at that time. the business being accomplished we adjourn to the usual time in 12month at NewBedford.

Sign'd on behalf of the Meeting } Wm. Rotch Junr. Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting held at New Bed= -ford for Sandwich the 14th of 12mo 1792 ~ 1792 12mo

Accounts were received from all the Monthly meetings except Nantucket, by which it appears that the following friends were appointed as representatives to this meeting Viz ~ For

Sandwich . Richard Lake Jeremiah Austin Junr and Elijah Braley ~

Pembroke . Jno Bailey & Isaac Keen ~

Dartmouth . Jona Hurt . Caleb Green & George Smith .

Acoaxet . David Wood . Noah Gifford and Lovet Trip ~

who being called are all present

The Representatives not having attended to their appointment of proposing a friend to serve this meeting as Clerk, Wm Rotch Junr is again continued untill our next meeting and the present Representatives are requested to consider of a suitable person and propose at that time

The Committee appointed to confer with Dartmouth monthly meeting made the following report ~ Viz ~ We your Committee to Confer with Dartmouth Monthly Meeting respecting the Bounds & time of holding New Bedford Monthly Meeting have done accordingly, and that meeting having appointed a Committee to consider of the same and report to their last monthly Meeting and they propose that the following be the boundary line of said Meeting Viz begining at the South east corner of the land formerly

12mo - Belonging to Jonathan Tucker on the west side of Clarks or Shearmans Cove from thence in a straight line till it goes to the southward of John Howlands farm house including said house within the bounds from thence in a straight line to the northward till it comes to the house of Edmund Maxfield including said house to the eastward. thence northward to Jethro Allens Sawmill and from thence north to the Town line of Freetown - That the time of holding said monthly Meeting at New Bedford be the Third day after the Third Second day in each month at the close of a Meeting for worship to begin at the eleventh hour

Which proposals we adopt for the bounds and time of holding the said New Bedford Monthly Meeting

11mo 19th 1792 - - -
Russell Braley
Paul Wing
John Mosher

Which report is accepted and the Clerk is directed to forward a Copy thereof to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting - And Jeremiah Austin John Mosher Joseph Wing & John Bailey are appointed to visit those Meetings to assist them in the division of the former Meeting and establishment of the Monthly Meeting at New Bedford & see that they take place in an orderly and becoming manner

The Committee appointed to visit Pembroke Mo. Meeting made the following Report Vizt

We your Committee appointed to Visit Pembroke

Monthly Meeting - Report that we have attended to that service and visited that Mo. Meeting and several families and gave such advice as to us appeared necessary - and believe it would be well for the Quarterly Meeting to extend some further care to them. Signed on behalf of the committee by .... Benjn Taber
Joseph Wing
Dated at Pembroke 12mo 5th 1792 -

Which being accepted The further consideration of the state of that Meeting is refered to our next Quarterly Meeting.

Pembroke and Acoaxet Monthly Meetings inform in their accounts that they have forwarded to our Treasurer their proportions of the Yearly & Quarterly Meeting Stock.

The proposal made by Nantucket Monthly Meeting relative to the holding the Quarterly Meeting in the Tenth Month at New Bedford being refered to this Meeting after consideration we appoint Joseph Tucker John Howland. Lovel Tripp Jereh Austin jun John Baily John Mosher. Wm Anthony & Wm Gifford. to take the matter under consideration and report to our next Quarterly Meeting their judgment respecting that or any other alteration that may appear best to them.

The Queries were read with the answers from all the Monthly Meetings except Nantucket. Sandwich Monthly Meeting is requested to make provision of hay for Friends horses at the time of the Quarterly Meeting in the third Mo. as they may think Necessary at our Expence.

The business being concluded we adjourn to the usual time of our Meeting in the Third Month at Sandwich.

Wm Rotch junr Clerk.

At our Quarterly Meeting

held at Sandwich the 29th of 3d Mo 1793

Accounts were received from the several Mo Meetings by which it appears the following are appointed Representatives Vizt

Sandwich. Russel Bradley. Richd Lake & Stephen Wing
Pembroke. James Rogers & William Howland
Nantucket. Wm Macy Laban Mitchel. Peter Pollard & Lemuel Gardner
Dartmouth. Stephen Buffington Wm Gifford & Zephaniah Eddy
Acoaxet. Noah Gifford & Ephraim Potter.
New Bedford. Cornelius Howland & Joseph Austin

Who being called are all present

Agreeable to the conclusion of last Quarterly Meeting one of the Representatives reports that several of them have considered of the matter refered to them and have proposed Wm Rotch Junr to serve as Clerk for the ensuing year and this Meeting uniting in the proposal he is accordingly appointed to that service and Thos Rotch is also appointed assistant Clerk for the year ensuing

The Committee appointed to attend the division of Dartmouth Monthly Meeting made the following report Vizt

To the Quarterly Meeting Next to be held at Sandwich We agreeable to appointment have Visited those Meetings and afforded them Such assistance as to us appeared necessary and may inform that both the division of the former Meeting and the Establishment of the New Monthly Meeting at Bedford took place in a very orderly and becoming manner New Bedford 12 mo 18 1792 Joseph Wing
John Mosher
John Baily

Which is acceptable to this Meeting

The Consideration of the State of Pembroke Monthly Meeting being referred from last Quarterly Meeting after solid deliberation we appoint Jethro Mitchel Abner Potter Paul Wing William Gifford William Macy, to unite with a Committee of the Womens Meeting to visit that Meeting and sit with them in their Monthly Meetings from time to time, and labour to assist them both Collectively and individually as way may open, and make report of their sense of the propriety of Continuing or discontinuing that Meeting to the Quarterly Meeting in the 10th Month Next

The Committee appointed to consider of the proposition from Nantucket Monthly Meeting relative to the removeing the Quarterly Meeting of the tenth Month from Dartmouth to New Bedford, report, that having attended to that matter they are united in judgment that such an alteration will best accommodate Friends in General which meeting our concurrence the same is concluded to be represented to the Yearly Meeting

An account from Nantucket Monthly Meeting of the twelfth Month last was receivd and red and one of the Representatives now informs that the reason of its not being presented, no representatives attending our last Quarterly Meeting was, the prevailance of Contrary winds which put it out of their power to attend.

The Queries were read with answers from all the Monthly Meetings together with general Answers Compiled therefrom which Answers being approved and directed to be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting.

Sandwich Monthly Meeting in their account inform that Presbery Wing appeals from their judgment in first Month last and they having appointed Richard Delano Ruſsell Braley and Paul Wing to represent the Case, They produced Copies of the Minutes of Sandwich Monthly Meeting relative thereto And the Appealant appearing to prosecute his appeal we thereupon appoint Jethro Mitchel Wm Macy Saml Rodman John Mosher and Abner Hill

To hear the parties upon the Subject consider the reasons adduced and report their judgment at our next Quarterly Meeting

By accounts receivd it appears that our beloved Friend Elisha Thornton has made a Religious visit to all the Meetings in this Quarter and that his Labours have been to edification and Comfort he having the Concurrence of Smithfield Monthly Meeting in his Concern also that he was accompanied by our Friend Benedict Arnold with the concurrence of UxBridge Monthly Meeting whose services were also acceptable and Satisfactory

Certificates to their Respective Meetings were prepared were approvd and Signd by the Clerk

We appoint Joseph Wing, Obed Mitchel, John Baily, Joh Mosher, Peter Pollard, Joseph Austin & Joseph Tucker, to attend our Next Yearly Meeting

Several Copies of the General Epistle of our Brethren at their last Yearly Meeting in London were recd from the Meeting for Sufferings and one of them read to our edification and Comfort, and the others sent to each Monthly Meeting

And accounts being prepared for the Yearly Meeting was approvd and signd by the Clerk

The busineſs being accomplished we adjourn to the usual

usual time in the Sixth months at Nantucket Signed on behalf of the Meeting by William Rotch Jun:r

To the Monthly Meeting at Smithfield, Dear Friends our beloved Friend Elisha Thornton hath attended Several Monthly and all the particular Meetings of this quarter at the former of which, he presented a Copy of a Minute from your Meeting, expressing your Concurrence with his Visit -

We now certify on his behalf that his Company and services among us, have been to our Satisfaction Comfor and Edification, and that his life and Conversation hav been examplary, and consistant with our Profession. with our desires for his preservation -

we remain your Friends and brethren

Signed in and on behalf of said Meeting by

William Rotch Jun:r Clerk

To the Monthly Meeting of UxBridge -

Our esteemed Friend Benedict Arnold has attended Most of the Monthly and all the particular Meeting, belonging to this Quarter, in Company with our beloved Friend Elisha Thornton, at the former he produced a Minute of Concurrence from your Meeting - His Company and Services having been acceptable to us, and his conduct and Conversation becoming the Station he fills with desires for his preservation we remain your Friends and Brethren -

Signed in and on behalf of Said Meeting by

William Rotch Jun:r Clerk

From our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich the 29th of the Third Month 1793 to our Next Yearly Meeting

Dear Friends in Conformity to the recommendation of of last yearly Meeting we sent to the yearly Meeting our proportion of the Stock, and at our meeting in the tenth Month appointed Joseph Wing of Sandwich and Thomas Hazard Junr of New Bedford Members to the Meeting for sufferings ~

we duely receivd your Epistle of last year with the Transcripts which have been transmitted to our Several Monthly Meetings ..

We have appointed our Friends Joseph Wing John Bailey John Mosher Joseph Tucker Obed Mitchel Peter Pollard and Joseph Austin ..

Our Represenatives to the ensueing yearly Meeting ~

Our Answers to the Queries are herewith sent ~

Since our last yearly Meeting we have united with Nantucket Monthly Meeting in their Reccommendation of Elizabeth Worth as a Minister ~

After due consideration we propose to the yearly Meeting that in future the Quarterly Meeting in the Tenth Month heretofore held at Aponagansett be held at New Bedford believing that such an alltereration will best accomodate Friends in General ~

Signed on behalf of said Meeting by William Rotch J Clerk

Answers to The Queries

Answer 1st Our Meetings are all duely attended and the hour observed by most Friends, Except Midweek Meetings and those for dicipline, upon which Occasion there is not so general attendance .. Sleeping sometimes obvious, mostly clear of other unbecoming behaviour .. Some care has been Taken in those deficiencys ..

2 There are some among us who endeavour to maintain Love and unity who discourage Tale bareing back biteing and evil reports but others are neglectful in their duties, Care rests on the minds of some Friends to end differences when they appear ~

3 We think a consid=erable number are concerned for the Education of their Children agreable to this Query and

and are desirous of being good Examples themselves yet the appearances of some Manifest a want of care in those Respects. We know not but clear of reading pernicious books The Holy Scriptures are frequently Read, tho we believe not much in the manner queried after, Some care has been Taken for an amendment

4th Qr We think Friends are generally Careful as to the use of Spirituous Liquors yet believe all do not confine themselves to its use for Medicins only. There is one instance of a Friends dealing in it on account of which some Labour has been bestowed generally clear of Frequenting Taverns and places of publick Resort unnecessaryly, yet not without Exceptions

Moderation and Temperence generally observed at births Marriages and burials, places of divertion have been attended by a few individuals, in which cases care has been taken

5th The necessary care is taken Respecting the poor as far as appears, one instance of a Child being placed out from among Friends which is under notice

6th Qr We fear all do not discountenance those under their care Accompanying on account of marriage without their consent and that the seasonable advice of Parents and Guardians is not always attended, we know of none accompanying with those not of our Society but what is under Notice. disorderly Marriages discountenanc

7th We know not but clear in each part

8th Some Friends are deficient in making Wills and settling accts Gifts and Legacies Rightly applyed except one instance which is under notice

9th Clear as far as appears

10th Qr We fear not all Clear in those Respects yet we believe that Friends are mostly careful therein

11th Marriages duly Recorded the other part not wholly Clear.

12th Care is taken to deal with offenders, and to place Judgment where it appears Necessary

At our Quarterly Meeting

held at Nantucket for Sandwich, the 2d of 7 month 1793
By accounts received from the several Monthly Meetings,

Meetings, it appears, that the following Friends are appointed Representatives —

for Sandwich, Elijah Braily, Paul Wing Junr, & Prince Gifford

Pembroke, John Baily, and Isaac Keen —

Nantucket, Robert Gardner, Laban Mitchel, Obed Macy, Peter Pollard, and Obed Marshall,

Dartmouth, William Anthony, George Smith, and Benjamin Chase —

Acoaxet, Levi Tripp, Noah Gifford, and John Mosher

New Bedford, Benjamin Taber, Jos. Austin, & Thos. Rotch —

who being Called are all present, except George Smith,

Our Esteemed Friend, Elias Hicks, from the Monthly Meeting of Jericho, on Long Island, attended this Meeting, on a religious visit, also our Friend, James Mott his companion from the Monthly Meeting of Purchase and our friend, Stephen Mendinghall, from Concord Monthly Meeting, Pensylylvania, having accompanied our Friends, Sarah Talbert and Companion, they produced Satisfactory Certificates, from their respective Meetings, and their company is acceptable to us —

The Committee appointed, upon the appeal, of presbery Wing made the following report Viz —

According to appointment at last Quarter, we have attended to the appeal of Presberry Wing, from the Judgment of Sandwich Monthly Meeting, and having heard the representations of the appealant, and the Monthly Meetings Committee, and examined the extracts from the Records, are of opinion ~~are of opinion~~ that the Meeting has not been so careful in attending to the discipline, as they should have been, and think their Judgment ought to be reversed, the complaints against him, not being so substantiated, as to justify disownment, which we submit to the Quarterly Meeting —

Nantucket 7mo. 1st 1793

Jethro Mitchel
Samuel Rodman.
John Mosher
William Macy
Abner Hill

Which is accepted, and the Judgment of Sandwich Monthly Meeting, respecting the said presberry Wing, is accordingly reversed. And Jo.s Austin, Jethro Mitchel, Abner Hill, and William Rotch Jun.r, are appointed to attend that Meeting with a Copy of this Minute and to endeavour in the comunication of our Judgment, that the Same be reconciled to that Meeting in Such manner, that neither the Meeting, nor the individual, receive any hurtful impression therefrom.

This Meeting adjourns to the 3d hour, this afternoon.

Afternoon, met by adjournment.

the Representatives being called, are all present, except George Smith, the Friends appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting, as representatives, report, they all attended.

The Queries were read with answers, from the Several Monthly Meetings, and Several judicious remarks, ~~re marks~~ were made upon the deficiences reported by them,

This Meeting having been deeply affected with the information that Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, notwithstanding their Silence in the last Quarterly Meeting, sent forward by a Committee some objections to the Yearly Meeting respecting the alteration proposed by our las Meeting, in holding our Quarterly Meeting in the tenth month. after Solid deliberation the further consideration thereof is refered to our next Quarterly Meeting.

The Extracts from the last Yearly Meeting were received and read and are as follows.

25 Extracts from the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting held on Rhode Island from the 13th to the 18th of the 6th Month 1793 Inclusive. the committee appointed to consider of the proposition from Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, relative to the removal of one of their Meetings, report that after considering that matter they propose its being referred untill next year, after Solid deliberation we appoint Ames Colins, Jacob Mott, Peleg Almy, Bennedict Arnold, Isaac Lawton, Moses Brown, and Daniel Anthony, to Visit that Quarterly Meeting and such of their Monthly M

Meetings as may to them appear best, and in the ability which truth may give; and report their judgment upon the propriety of the request.-

It is concluded that the following be adopted for the third Query, and the several Quarterly Meetings are directed to have it inserted in our books of Discipline.-

Query the Third, Are Friends careful to bring up those under their direction, in plainness of speech, behaviour, and apparrel,- To restrain them from reading Pernicious books, and the corrupt conversation of the World, Are they good examples herein themselves.- And are the holy scriptures frequently read audably, in their families.-

Sandwich Quarterly Meeting is requested to forward to our treasurer £.37"4"10 their proportion of the stock concluded to be rais'd this year.-

William Rotch Junr. Clerk to the Meeting
this year.-

And transcrips thereof are desired to be forwarded to the several Monthly Meetings, who are desired to have the alteration in the third Query inserted in all their books of Discipline and the Clerk is directed to insert the same in the book belonging to this Meeting.-

Our several Monthly Meetings, are requested to forward to our Treasurer, their several proportions of £.37"4"10 this Meetings poportion of the yearly Meetings Stock Viz Sandwich £5"12"6 Pembroke £1"17"6 Nantucket £15 Dartmouth £6"8"2 Acoaxet £5"2"6 New Bedford £3"4"2

Nantucket Monthly Meeting in their account inform that they have approved the appearances of Dorcas Brown, in the Ministry, which meeting our approbation Caleb Greene, is appointed to inform the Select Meeting thereof.-

Transcrips of the Epistles of our brethren ~~from our brethren~~ from the Yearly Meeting of London, Philadelphia, and Long Island, as also one from our own Yearly Meeting, were read to our comfort, and edification.- And William Macy Elisha Macy

Thomas Hazard jun.r Obed Mitchel and Thomas Rotch are appointed to prepare transcripts of the several Epistles, and of the Extracts from the Yearly Meeting minutes, and send them to our Several Monthly Meetings ~

A Certificate from Nantucket Monthly Meeting in behalf of our beloved friend Mary Mitchell, expreſsing their Sympathy and unity with her concern to make a religious Visit, to some parts of the Ninepartners, quarterly Meeting, was read and the following endorsement entered thereupon, and signed by the Clerk Viz..

The within Copy of a Minute being laid before this Meeting.. we hereby manifest our Sympathy with our beloved Friend Mary Mitchell, our unity with her Concern, and concurrence with her intended Visit ~

Signed in and on behalf of our quarterly Meeting
by William Rotch jun.r Clerk..

Our beloved friend Sarah Talbot attended this Meeting with a Certificate from Concord Monthly Meeting Pennsylvania, expreſsing their unity with her concern to make us a religious Visit, also her Companion Ann Ferriſs attended, with a Minute of concurrence from Wilmington Monthly Meeting, which were read to our Satisfaction, and their company has been acceptable to us..

The buisineſs being accomplished we adjourn to the usual time of Meeting in tenth Month at Aponaganset ~ Signed in and on behalf of Said Meeting
by William Rotch jun.r Clerk

From our Yearly Meeting held on Rhode Island for New England from the 15th of the 6 m.o to the 18th of the same inclusive 1793 to the Quarterly meetings hereto belonging Dear Friends

With the Salutation of Brotherly Love we salute you, and hereby inform, that we have duly received accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging, together with answers to the Queries and are Sorrowfully affected in observing that there are many deficiencies still remaining, and a falling short with respect to the various duties incumbent on those who

who are makeing so high and holy a profession, that of being actuated and influenced by the Spirit of truth, and we think it unnecessary to enter into a detail of all the deficiencies above alluded to, and to communicate advices particularly respecting them, being sensible that when the Tree is corrupt, the fruit must consequently be impure, We therefore recommend a particular attention to the sanctifying operation of divine power, by which only the defection in practice can be removed, and we annimated to proceed in the line of divine ap-* pointment, to the performance of our Religious and Social duties and the enjoyment of that peace, and liberty, which is the peculiar priveledge of those, whose dwellings is in the light, and as we abide therein, we shall have fellowship one with another, and unitedly engage, in a fervent Labour for the promotion of Truth in the Earth, and for the establishment of that excellent order, and harmony which we believe is consistant with the will of our heavenly Father to be maintained in the Church and amongst his people :-

Notwithstanding dear friends in our Epistle of 1791 We earnestly recommended a due attention to that class of Friends, who in the course of providence, are not blessed with the outward comforts of life, a renewed concern hath possessed the minds of Friends that an additional care may be extended in such Meetings, where there has not been a full complyance with the recommendations respecting them, and particularly that they be all supplyed with the Holy Scriptures; and such other books as may be adapted to their particular circumstances, And as there were ways pointed out for supplying the indigent with books suited to the promotion of piety and virtue among them, where Monthly Meetings, might not be able to supply the want without the expence of them being too sensibly felt, by such Monthly Meetings applying with the Meeting for sufferings for their aid and assistance, to be supplyed out of this Meetings stock, Such Meetings as remain indifferent to, are search in this respect, will be left without

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cause, and in order that this Meeting may be clear herein, we again advise to the appointment of Committees for this purpose, and request an account to the next Yearly Meeting of the progress that may be made therein ~
Signed on behalf and by order of said Meeting
by William Rotch junr. Clerk to the Meeting this year

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Dartmouth for Sandwich the 4th of the tenth Month 1793. ~
Accounts were received from all the Monthly Meetings by which it appears the following friends are appointed Representatives Viz for
Sandwich. Joseph Wing, John Russell & Richard Lake
Pembroke. Zacheus Estes, and John Bailey ~
Nantucket. Jethro Mitchell, Robert Gardner junr.,
Peter Barney, & Libni Gardner.
Dartmouth. Jonathan Hart, Luthan Wood, Joseph Tucker, and Benjamin Smith.
Acoxet. David Irish, David Russell, & James Austin.
NewBedford. Benjamin Taber, and Abraham Smith.
Who being Called are all present, except Robert Gardner junr. and Benjamin Smith, whose absense we are informed, is through indisposition of body ~
It appears by the accounts that Sandwich, Nantucket, and NewBedford, Monthly Meetings have directed their several proportions of the Yearly Meeting Stock, to be forwarded our Treasurer ~
The Committee appointed to visit Sandwich Monthly Meeting report that they all attended and endeavoured as far as in them lay, to discharge the request of the quarterly Meeting, and Sandwich Monthly Meeting in their account inform, they have complyed with our judgment in restoring Presberry Wing, to membership. ~
The Quiries were read with answers from the several Monthly Meetings ~
The Committee appointed in the third Month to attend Pembroke Monthly Meeting, Report that they have at times attended that Meeting yet from several causes having been prevented from giving that attention to the appointment they desired, they are not prepared to give a conclusive Report wherefore they are continued to visit that Meeting, agreeable to the former appointment

appointment and to report to our Meeting in the third Month Next

We having received from our last Yearly Meeting the following Extracts, from their Minutes Viz (see page 249)

And our friends Jacob Mott Moses Brown and Daniel Anthony of that Meetings Committee being present we appoint Jeremiah Austin Thomas Hick Joseph Rogers Joseph Wing, Jethro Mitchell, Gideon Howland, Benjamin, Taber, and philip Tripp, to Confer with that Committee upon the request transmitted from our Meeting in the third month, to the Yearly Meeting & give them such information upon the Subject as may be necessary, also to Visit Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, and give them such advice upon the Subject of their proceeding with which our last Meeting was exercised, and report when accomplished

Our beloved friend Rufus Hall attended this Meeting with a Certificate from Saratoga Monthly Meeting and Ninepartners Quarterly Meeting, wherein his Company, and Gospel Labours, have been to our Satisfaction likewise his Companion Zebulon Hoxie with the approbation of the same Monthly Meeting, attended this meeting and his company and Services, have been acceptable to us

We appoint Caleb Greene and William Rotch Junr to prepare Certificates for our friends Elias Hicks, Peter Yarnall, Rufus Hall, Sarah Talbot, and their respective Companions, and return to our next Quarterly Meeting

The business being accomplished we adjourn to the usual time in the 12th Month at NewBedford

Signed in and on behalf of our Meeting by

William Rotch Junr Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting held at NewBedford for Sandwich the 13th of the 12th month 1793

Accounts were received from all the Monthly Meetings except Nantucket, by which it appears the following friends were appointed Representatives Viz

For Sandwich Jeremiah Austin jun.r Russell Braley and Joseph Wing
Pembroke. Smith Brown, and Isaac Keen ~
Dartmouth. Thomas Mott Luthan Wood, and Joseph Tucker
Acoaxet Noah Gifford, David Russell, and David Prich
New Bedford. Benjamin Taber, and Thomas Hazard jun.r
who being Called are all present ~

Dartmouth, and Acoaxet Monthly Meetings, in their accounts inform, that they have sent to our Treasurer their respective proportion, of the Yearly Meeting Stock

Our treasurer is requested to forward our proportion of the yearly Meeting Stock to their Treasurer as soon as may be ~ And Pembroke. Monthly Meeting is requested to send their proportion before Next Quarterly Meeting ~

The Queries were read with answers from the Several Monthly Meetings except Nantucket ~

These Certificates are recorded in the three first pages of this Book

The Committe appointed last Quarter to prepare Certificates, produced them for our Friends Elias Hicks and James Mott Peter Yarnall and Thomas Willis Rufus Hall and Zebulon Hoxie Sarah Talbot. Ann Ferriss and Stephen Mendenhall ~ which being read and approved were Signed by the Clerk, who is desired to have them recorded and forwarded to the respective Meetings, to which they are directed ~

The business that came before this Meeting being accomplished we conclude and adjourn to the usual time in the third Month at Sandwich ~

Signed in and on behalf of Said Meeting by
William Rotch Jun.r Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich the 25th of the 3m.o 1794 Accounts were received from all the Monthly Meetings by which it appears that the following Friends were appointed representatives to this Meeting Viz
For Sandwich Elijah Braley Ebenezer Wing & Stephen Wing
Pembroke William Howland and John Bailey
Nantucket Peter Pollard Charles Bunker Walter Folger
Prince Gardner and Laban Mitchel ~

Dartmouth Gideon Howland Joseph Tucker William Gifford and William Anthony –
Acoaxet, Ephraim Potter Abner Potter and Prince Wing
New Bedford Thomas Rotch and Caleb Green, who being Called are all present –

The time being expired for which the Clerk was appointed The representatives having proposed William Rotch Junr. for that service he is again appointed for the year ensuing –

They likewise having proposed Thomas Rotch to serve, as assistant Clerk, he is also again appointed for the ensuing year –

Pembroke Monthly Meeting in their account inform that they have forwarded to our Treasurer, their proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock –

It appears by accounts from the Monthly Meetings of Nantucket Dartmouth, Acoaxet and New Bedford that attention has been paid to the recommendation of our last Yearly Meeting, and that in those Meetings, Friends are in a good degree supplyed with Bibles and other Friends books, and when there has appeard deficiencies in some families care has been taken that they be furnished –

The Monthly Meetings of Sandwich and Pembroke are requested to attend to the recommendation, of our last Yearly Meeting by appointing Committees to make enquiry whether their members are furnished with the Holy Scriptures and such other books as may be necessary, and to see that such who are deficient and not in circumstances to supply them=selves, be furnished in the manner pointed out by the Yearly Meeting and inform this Meeting when accomplished – and the Clerk is directed to forward each ~~Monthly~~ Meeting a Copy of this minute –

Our Treasurer informs that our proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock has been forwarded as directed –

An account was now presented from Nantucket Monthly Meeting dated in the twelfth month last and one of the Representatives from that Meeting inform that the friends then appointed were prevented attending the Quarterly Meeting by Contrary winds –

The Queries were read with Answers from the several

Several Monthly Meetings whereby was conveyed the state of Society in this Quarter; and some advice communicated upon the prevailing deficiencies, tending to excite in friends minds an increasing care and watchfulness over themselves and one another that so early caution may be given to such as are liable to deviations which friends now present are earnestly desired to retain in their remembrance and put the same in practice in their respective Meetings.

Answers Compiled from those receiv'd from the Monthly Meetings were also read approv'd and are directed to be forwarded with our account to the Yearly Meeting

The Committe appointed in the 3 month last Year, to Visit Pembroke Monthly Meeting made the following report

We your Committe appointed in 3 month 1793 -

To Visit Pembroke Monthly Meeting and labour to assist them both collectively and Individually as way might open, and Report our Sense of the propriety of Continuing or discontinuing that Meeting, have all except one attended to that Service and some of us have Sat with them several times and have Laboured to come at the right Sense of their Situation we found them Mostly very desirous of having their Monthly Meeting Continued

Yet to us they appeared weak and it is our Judgment they are not Qualified to hold a Monthly Meeting of themselves without some assistance to the Reputation of the Society which we submit to the Quarterly Meeting

Signed by order and on behalf of the Committe

William Macy

Sandwich 3 month 26th 1794 Abigail Wing Jr

Which is accepted, and this Meeting being Sorrowfully affected with the Situation of that Meeting, and feeling a tenderness towards the friends thereof and being desirous of affording them further assistance in order for their encouragement in renewed exertion on their part that so they may witness an increasing concern and therein make such progress and improvement as to render the continuation of that Meeting adviseable, do appoint Benjamin Taber Stephen Buffinton John Russell Joseph Wing Peter Pollard and William Rotch Junr

To unite with a committe of the Womens Meeting to Visit that Meeting again and set with them in their Monthly Meetings for one Year more and labour to assist them both collectively and individually as way may open and report their sense of the propriety of continuing or discontinuing that Meeting to the Quarterly Meeting in the third month Next

We appoint Caleb Greene, Joseph Tucker, Peleg Mitchel, Jeremiah Austin Junr., Libni Gardner, Abner Potter, William Anthony, to attend our ensuing Yearly Meeting

An account was prepared to the said Meeting, approv and directed to be transcribed and signed by the Clerk

The buisiness that come before this Meeting being accomplished we conclude and adjourn to the usual time at Nantucket

Signed in and on behalf of said Meeting by

William Rotch Junr. Clerk

General Answers

1st Our Meetings for Worship on first days pretty well attended, Many remiss in the attendance of our Weekday Meetings and Meetings for discipline The hour generally observed by those that attend, Clear of unbecoming behavior therein except Sleeping which is too much given way to, on which account Some Labour hath been bestowed

2 We think love and unity is in a good degree maintained amongst us, talebearing is not wholly discouraged Where differences have arisen endeavours have been used to end them

3 We believe there are a remnant among us who are engaged to bring up those under their direction in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparrel and to restrain them from reading pernicious books and from the corrupt conversation of the world, and are good examples themselves, but there are others that appear too unconcerned in these respects. We think the holy Scriptures are frequently read, audably in most of friends families

4 We fear all do not confine the use of Spirituous Liquors

to Medicinal and necessary Occasions, tho' generally careful, pretty clear of frequenting Taverns, not wholly clear of publick resort, some labour extended, we believe Clear in the other parts

5th The circumstances of the poor, and such as appear likely to to need assistance have been inspected, and their necessities relieved, and their Children are also cared for, agreeable to the Query none placed out, that we know of

6th We fear all parents and Guardians do not discountenance those under their care, accompanying on Account of Marriage without their consent, and that the seasonable advice of Parents and Guardians is not always obtaind, care is taken when a breach appears, Disorderly Marriages discountinanced

7th We know not but Clear

8th Some friends are deficient in making Wills & settling acc^ts; Gifts & Legacies rightly applied

9th Clear as far as appears

10 We think friends are mostly careful to perform their promises, and to pay their debts but we fear some of our members suffer their business unnecessarily to obstruct their religious duties

11th Marriages are all recorded, Births, Deaths, and burials, too much neglected, some care taken in these accounts

Clear in respect to removals, except a few instances under notice

12th We trust there is a concern subsisting amongst us to deal regularly and impartially with offenders and to place judgment where it appears necessary

At our Quarterly Meeting held on Nantucket for Sandwich the first of the 7th Month 1794

The Clerk not being present upon the Island Samuel Rodman is appointed to serve at this time

By accounts receivd from the several Monthly Meetings, it appears that the following friends are appointed Representatives viz:

For Sandwich, Elijah Braley, John Russell, Daniel Purington
Pembroke Smith Brown, and John Bailey
Nantucket Peleg Easton, Jethro Mitchel Abishai Paddock Samuel Rodman and Benjamin Barney
Dartmouth Thomas Mott Jonathan Wilber

Gideon

Gideon Howland, William Anthony and Joseph Estes.
Acoaxet Jeremiah Austin, David Wood, Prince King
New Bedford Joseph Austin and Cornelius Howland
who being Called are all present ~

Our beloved Friend Joshua Evens attended this Meeting and produced to us Certificates from the Monthly and Quarterly Meetings of Haddonfield, bearing date in the third Month last, which were read to our Satisfaction, being expreſsive of their unity with his Ministry and Concurrence in his Concern, to make a religious visit in the Eastern States on this Continent, his company being acceptable and his labours among us, edifying and comfortable ~

By accounts receiv'd from Sandwich, and information from a Representative of Pembroke Monthly Meeting, we are informd that they receiv'd the Extracts from the Minutes of last Quarter, which they had so far attended to as to appoint Committees to inspect the situation of their members relative to their having bibles. Those Meetings are desired to inform us thereof when the service of their Committees is accomplished ~

One of the Representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting report they all attended ~

We are informd by the Accounts from Nantucket Monthly meeting, that they have for some time had under consideration the propriety and usefulneſs of a division of their Monthly Meeting, upon which they request our advice; and Concurrence if thought best, which being deliberated upon we appoint John Mosher, Caleb Greene, John Bailey, John Ruſsell, William Anthony, Joseph Austin, Noah Gifford, Jeremiah Austin, and Smith Brown ~ to visit the Monthly and Preparative Meetings of Nantucket, consider of the aforesaid proposition and report their sense thereof to next Quarterly Meeting ~

Adjournd to the third hour this afternoon ~

Afternoon Met by adjournment ~

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The Representatives being called are all present.

The Queries with answers thereto from the Several Monthly Meetings were read, upon which many pertinent remarks were made which we desire may be attended to, and profitably remembered, by those answers the state of society in this Quarter appears to be as follows Viz

Summary That our Meetings are all kept up, and the hour generally observed that Meetings on first days are attended by most of our Members, yet a negligence is discernable in many on mid week meetings, generally clear of indecencies, except a drowsy disposition appears in some at times.

Love and unity appears to be measurably maintained but there is a great Shortness of the fullness of the query, detraction generally discouraged and care is taken to end differencies.

Some Friends are careful to bring up and example their families in plainness, but many are deficient herein the Scriptures are expressed to be generally read as queried.

Our testimony relative to Spirituous Liquors appears to be observed there being but few instances of complaint.

Moderation at births &c preserved.

Care appears to be extended to the poor of Society and to placing out Children among Friends, Disorderly Marriages discountinanced by the Monthly Meetings, and the well concerned endeavour to suppress company keeping on that account with those who are not members

A defect Sorrowfully appears in some instances in the time by settlement of accounts, and making of Wills in each Monthly Meeting, public gifts duly applied.

Our members appear generally careful with respect to performance of promises, and payments, yet there are some exceptions to this concern so reputable to Society to be supported, a defect in some Monthly Meetings in timely recording births and deaths, care appears to be taken with respect to the removal of our members.

Our testimony relative to priests wages, Military services payment of duties, making entries at the Customs. and Slavery, appears to be Supported.

A remnant, is preserved in each meeting under a concern for

regular

regular dealing with offenders and placing Judgment where it appears necessary in the authority of truth according to our discipline ~

Extracts from the minutes of our last yearly Meeting were receiv'd and read and are as follows ~

Extracts from the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting held on Rhode Island for New England the Sixth month 1794
By the report of part of the Committee appointed last Year to visit Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, it appears, that some of them have attended that Meeting and have met a Committee from the same, and also one from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting and that it is their judgment that the Quarterly Meeting usually held in the tenth month at Aponagansett be held at New Bedford for one Year upon trial, which meeting the approbation of this Meeting, it is accordingly concluded upon, the womens Meetings concurring therein, and the Clerk is directed to forward that Meeting a Copy of this Minute ~

It is concluded that the following be adopted in stead of the Minute of 1791, and the Quarterly Meetings are directed to have the addition inserted in the several books of Discipline ~

It is agreed that if any Friends Shall Marry contrary to the good order established among us being previously cautioned by the Overseers that the Monthly Meeting where such belong proceed to make a minute of denial and testify against them without further labour where they think it best ~

This Meeting, ^(coming) concluded that £ 100 be raised this Year for the Stock, Sandwich Quarterly Meeting is desired to forward our Treasurer £ 37"4"10 their proportion thereof.

Copy Compared William Rotch Junr. Clerk
to the Meeting this Year

And Transcripts thereof are directed to be forwarded to the several Monthly Meetings who are desired to
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make the alteration in the several books of Discipline therein expressed, and inform Next Quarter thereof ~

The several monthly Meetings are desired to forward to the Treasurer of this meeting their proportions of Stock for the use of the Yearly Meeting, and inform this Meeting thereof when accomplished

Viz Sandwich £5..12..6 Pembroke £1..17..6 Nantucket £15
Dartmouth £6..8..2 Acoaxet £5..2..6 New Bedford £3..4..2

An Epistle from our last Yearly Meeting with transcripts of Epistles from our brethren of the Yearly Meetings of London, Philadelphia and New York, were receiv'd and read to Satisfaction. And the Clerk is directed to furnish the Monthly Meetings belonging to this Quarter, with transcripts thereof, and report the accomplishment of this service to next Quarterly Meeting.

The buisiness of this meeting being finished, we conclude and adjourn to the usual time of Meeting in the tenth month at New Bedford, agreeable to the recommendation of the Yearly Meeting ~

Signed in and on behalf of the meeting
by Samuel Rodman Clerk at this time

From Our Yearly Meeting held on Rhode Island for New England, by Adjournments from the 12th day of the Sixth Month to the Seventeenth of the same Inclusive 1794 ~

To the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings of Friends here to belonging ~

Dear Friends

With a degree of humble thankfulness it is that we acknowledge Our being favoured to meet together again in this our Solemn Assembly, and having received accounts from all the Quarterly Meetings, we are afresh convinced that there is a living well engaged Number, who are concernd not only for the preparation and confirmation of their own hearts in the way of Righteousness and Divine Acceptance, but also a good degree of engagement for the support of our wholesome Discipline, and the maintainance of good order in Our Society at large ~ nevertheless we are sorrowfully affected at the many defects that have appeard within the borders of Our Religious Community ~

How

How is it dear friends, You who are in the neglect of our Religious Meetings on Week days – do You experience that living circulating Spring of life to abound, are You not Sensible that You have robbed the Lord of his Tithe and Offering – Why are we become so remiſs in a Testimony our worthy Predeceſsors suffered so much to maintain, let their be an Enquiry made each one for his own Soul, to know how the Accounts Stands between him and his Creator, and if there be found a want of Love or obedience to him, let there be a doubling of our diligence, untill there be a poſsession obtained, and then we have reason to believe there would be no lack of love one to another, which is so much noted to be wanting by the Ansers to the Queries, by which also it appears that some have waxed so cold in their love to God, as when met on this solemn occasion for divine Worship, as to give way to a Sleepy disposition which is disgraceful in the Eyes of beholders, and offending to Omniscient Purity –

As it is a time of commotion among the Inhabitants of the Earth, many in this Country, who being in the spirit of War, have much of their Conversation therein –

We feel it impreſsed on our minds to Exhort all friends that they may come out and be Separated from Such a Spirit, endeavouring with all diligence to Center our minds to that principle of Light and Life, which breaths peace on Earth and good will unto Man, guarding against being anxious for the Success of any Contending Party, thereby manifesting that the kingdom of our leader is not of this World, but consisteth in Righteouſneſs and Peace –

And it is also with Concern that we find by the Answers to the 4th Query that there are afew who deal in and a considerable number who use Spirituous Liquors, and some even to intoxication; We earnestly recommend that all who have the special oversight of the flock and other concerned Friends do earnestly keep on the watch and where there appears in any a defection from our Testimony in those respects that they be cautioned and admonished and if any Should disregard the – labour and care of their

friends

Friends as not to refrain, that they be reported to and dealt with by the Monthly Meeting as disorderly walkers according to our Discipline; that offenders may be rightly restored again to Unity, or the Camp be kept clean and wholesome ~

Signed on behalf and by direction of said Meeting by
William Rotch jun.r Clerk to the
Meeting this Year

Omitted in page 235 Dear Friends

Our beloved Friends John & Benjamin Reeve attended our Meeting in the 6th month last and presented your Certificates as also concurring Certificates from Gloucester and Salem Quarterly Meetings held at Salem the 21st of the 5th Month last which were read to our satisfaction Since which they have visited most or all the Meetings belonging to this Quarter and their Company and gospel labours have been Comfortable Edifying and Satisfactory to us ~

We are With Affectionate regard your friends and Brethren

Signed on behalf and by direction of our Said Quarterly Meeting by William Rotch jun.r Clerk

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the third day of the tenth Month 1794

Accounts were received from all the Monthly Meetings hereto belonging, by which it appears the following Friends were appointed Representatives to this Meeting Viz ~

For Sandwich Joseph Wing, Prince Gifford, and Elijah Braley,
Pembroke Joseph Rogers and Smith Brown, ~
Nantucket Obed Mitchel Walter Folger, Abisha Bunker, and Prince Gardner ~
Dartmouth Jonathan Hart, Joseph Estes, George Smith, and William Anthony ~
Accoaxet Jeremiah Austin, David Wood, and Clerk Wilber ~
New Bedford Abraham Smith and Thomas Hazard jun.r ~

Who being Called are all present Except Jeremiah Austin jun.r and Clerk Wilber ~

This Meeting was attended by our beloved Friends John Wigham, and Martha Routh both lately arrived from Great Britain on Religious Visits to this Continent and their Certificates were presented Viz

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in behalf of our friend John Wigham, from Aberdeen Monthly Meeting, in North Britain the Seventeenth of the fourth Month last and from the half Years Meeting from North Britain held at Edenburgh, the 28th of the same Month, also one from the yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London in the 5th month last —

And in behalf of our friend Martha Routh, from Hardshaw Monthly Meeting, held at Warrington in the County of Lancaster the 8th of the fourth month last, and from the Quarterly Meeting of Men and Women friends for Lancashire, held at Lancaster the fifteenth of the same, As also a Certificate from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London, in the fifth Month last expressing their Approbation of their Ministry, Sympathy and full Unity with their concern to Visit friends and others on this Continent —

All which were read to good satisfaction, and their Company and gospel Labours acceptable to us, a degree of Sympathy and affection being felt for them in their being given up to follow the leadings of truth in this their arduous undertakeing —

The Queries were read with the answers from the several Monthly Meetings, Whereby we trust, a number were dipped into a feeling exercise for a renewed engagement of mind and increasing labour that the many prevailing deficiences among us, may be more guarded against —

Pembroke and New Bedford Monthly Meetings inform in their accounts, that they have directed the payment of their proportions of the stock to our Treasurer —

Sandwich Dartmouth and New Bedford Monthly Meetings in their accounts inform, that they have had the Minute as directed entered upon their Several books of Discipline —

The Committee appointed to visit Nantucket Monthly Meeting made the following report Viz

To the Quarterly Meeting Next to be held at New Bedford for Sandwich —

We your Committee appointed,

to consider of the proposition of the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket, relative to their being divided into two Monthly Meetings — have some of us attended the preparative Meetings, and nearly all of us the Monthly Meeting — And as far as we have been enabled to discover, are Unitedly of the Judgment, that it may be best that said Proposition be acceded to, and the said Monthly Meeting be divided into two Monthly Meetings —

Signed on behalf of said Committee
by Caleb Greene —
Smith Brown —

Which is accepted and it is concluded that the division of said Monthly Meeting take place after the next Monthly Meeting. And that the new Monthly Meeting be Called Nantucket Monthly Meeting, for the Northern district — And that the line of Division be the same as is now Recorded for the division of the two Preparative Meetings — And it is requested that Nantucket Monthly Meeting send to our next Meeting an account of the line of division, between the two Preparative Meetings, and it is concluded that the Monthly Meeting for the northern district, be held at the north Meeting house, on the 4th day following the last 2d day in each month, except when that time shall interfere with the Quarterly Meeting held at Nantucket, and in that case the said Meeting be held on the fourth day of the following week —
And it is concluded that the Friends resideing at Dartmouth Novascotia, belong to the Monthly Meeting for the Northern district —
And it is further concluded, that the members of the Select Meeting continue to compose one Meeting, and Thomas Hazard Junr., Gideon Howland, Prince Gifford Abraham Smith Joseph Austin and William Rotch Junr. are appointed, to attend the division of said Meeting and unite with Friends therein in order that the same take place in an Orderly and becoming manner; and report thereupon

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to our next Meeting, and the Clerk is directed to furnish that Meeting with a Copy of this Minute ~

The buisineſs being accomplished we conclude and adjourn to the usual time in the 12 months.

Signed in and on behalf of said Meeting
by William Rotch Clerk ~

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the twelfth of the twelfth mo. 1794

Accounts being received from all the Monthly Meetings, by which it appears the following friends were appointed Representatives to this Meeting, Viz.

for Sandwich John Shearman Joseph Bowerman and Paul Wing Junr.
Pembroke William Howland & James Rogers ~
Nantucket Obed Marshall, George Ruſsell and Silvanus Macy
Dartmouth Joseph Tucker Luthan Wood, and Jonathan Hart
Acoaxet Abner Potter, Jeremiah Austin Junr., and Nathaniel Macomber ~
New Bedford Benjamin Taber, & Abraham Smith
Nantucket Northern District Benjamin Barney, Peleg Easton, James Barker and Zenas Gardner

who being called are all present except Peleg Easton.

Sandwich, Nantucket, Dartmouth, and Acoaxet, Monthly Meetings, in their accounts inform severally that they have directed their Proportion of the Yearly and Quarterly Meeting Stock to be paid our Treasurer ~

Pembroke and Acoaxet in their accounts inform that they have entered the addition to the Minute of 1791, under Head marriage in their books of discipline, as directed ~

The Clerk of this Meeting being absent Caleb Greene is appointed to that Service for this time ~

The Queries with the accounts and Answers from the several Monthly Meetings were read, and tho no parartiular Remarks were made, yet the several Deficiences apparent by the answers has Sorrowfully affected the living among us ~

Nantucket having sent up the Description of the lines and limits of the two Preparative Meetings, as directed. which was read, and accepted and the same lines and Limits are adopted as the Lines of Division of the Monthly Meetings established there, which are as follows Viz:

We your Committee appointed to propose to the Monthly Meeting such a line for the Division of its Members as would best accommodate the attendance of Friends at the two Meeting Houses, having several times met, and considered thereof, are of Opinion, that those Friends, on each side of the Street, leading from the foot of the old Wharf, as far west as Silvanus Starbucks Dwelling House, including said House with all who dwell on the South side of said Street beyond, takeing its curve direction, and running in that direction west, to the Shear pen, with all who dwell to the South of said limits, to attend at the Old Meeting House, and all those who dwell on the north side of said before discribed Limits, to attend at the New Meeting House, which we Submit to the Monthly Meeting ~ Signed in behalf and by order of the Committee

by Samuel Rodman
Sarah Barney

Extracted from the Records of Nantucket Monthly Meeting of Friends, held 12th mo. 31st 1793

by Silvanus Macy Clerk ~

The Comittee appointed to attend the Division of the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket, report they were prevented, attending that Meeting, by contrary winds and a Storm which prevented passing ~

Our esteemed Friend Rebecca Wright attended this Meeting with her Certificate dated at the Monthly meeting held at upper Springfield, in New Jersey, the fifth of the 11th month last ~ expressive

expressive of their unity with her as an approved minister, and with her Visit to Friends in New England; her company and Gospel Labours have been acceptable and comfortable to us ~

A Certificate being presented in behalf of our Friend Joshua Evans of Haddonfield, New Jersey; was read approv'd and Sign'd by the Clerk and is as follows ~

From our Quarterly Meeting of Friends, held at New Bedford for Sandwich, the twelfth day of the 12th month Seventeen hundred ninety four ~
To the Mo. Meeting of friends at Haddonfield in New Jersey;
Dear Friends Our beloved friend, Joshua Evens in the course of his Religious Visit, attended our Quarterly Meeting in the Seventh mo. las, with your Certificate dated in the third month, Likewise a Concurring Certificate, from the Quarterly Meeting, held at the same place, Since which he has attended most, or all our Monthly and particular Meetings, where his company and Gospel Labours have been truly acceptable and Edifying, being Seasoned with the Sweet influence of the Power of the prince of Peace, as the feelings of a remnent amongst us has witnessed in the Sympathy of Gospel love ~
his examplary conversation and Solid deportment, correspondant with his profession, has left a precious Savour on the minds of a Number amongst us, with desires for his preservation in the truth, and that he may return to his family and Friends, with the Rich reward of Peace in his bosom ~
We conclude your affectionate friends and brethren.
Signed in and on behalf of Said Meeting by
Caleb Greene Clerk at this time ~
And Thomas Rotch is appointed to forward said Certificate to that Monthly Meeting ~

We were also favoured with the company and Gospel Labours of our beloved friend John Wigham at this time ~

The Womens Meeting having desired the assistance of this, respecting the Records of their Meeting, which being considered; the Treasurer is directed to furnish them with Money for the Pay of such Books, and Recording as may be necessary to place their Records in proper order ~

The London General Epistle of this Year, was received and read in this Meeting, to our Comfort and edification ~

The Reasons assigned by Acoaxet Monthly Meeting in their account of the nonattendance of Jeremiah Austin Junr, and Clerk Wilber; was accepted by this Meeting ~

The Business which came before us being accomplished we Conclude and adjourn to the usual time in the third Month Next, then to Meet at Sandwich ~

Signed in and on behalf of Said Meeting
by Caleb Greene Clerk at this time

At a Quarterly Meeting of friends held at Sandwich the 27th of the 3d month 1795

Accounts were received from all the Monthly Meetings by which it appears that the following friends are therein Named for Representatives Viz ~

for Sandwich Ignatius Dillingham, Benjamin Wing, & Ebenezar Wing ~

Pembroke Joseph Rogers, Isaac Keen & Smith Brown

Nantucket Abisha Bunker, William Rotch, Simeon Russell, and William Macy, ~

Acoaxet Noah Giffor, Lovet Tripp and Abner Potter

New Bedford Thomas Rotch, Cornelius Howland & Thomas Hazard Junr

Nantucket for the Northern District Libni Gardner Peter Barney and Uriah Macy ~

A severe Snow Storm this day having prevented Several of the Representatives and many Other Friends from attending this Meeting, we adjourn to the Tenth hour tomorrow Morning ~

28th day met by adjournment

The Representatives being Called are all present except Abisha Bunker & Uriah Macy the latter of whom sent his reasons for absence in writing which being indisposition of body, are acceptable.

We are also informed that Elisha Bunker was also prevented attending this day on the same account which is alsa acceptable.

our belived Friend Joseph Cloud on a Religious Visit from North Carolina attended this meeting and presented a Certificate of unity and concurrence from Cane Creek Monthly Meeting and Center Quarterly Meeting dated in the Eighth Month last which were read and his Company and services have been to our acceptance and edification.

The Committee appointed in the third mo. last year to Visit Pembroke Monthly Meeting made the following report Viz.

Agreeable to appointment of the Quarterly Meeting in the third Month last, we have visited Pembroke Monthly Meeting, and part of the Committee have also visited most of the individual Families belonging thereto.

And after Solidly considering the state of that Meeting, have to report, that we have found their numbers Small and altho we are not United in Opinion that it is best for the meeting to be discontinued, we nevertheless believe there is a great want of that living Zeal among friends there, that appears to us essentially necessary for the right exercise of the Discipline of the Church.

Sandwich 3d mo: 26th 1795 John Russell
Rhoda Tucker Benjamin Taber
Ruth Davis Stephen Buffinton
Charity Rotch William Rotch Junr.
Peter Pollard

Which Claiming our Solid deliberation a hope is revived that usefulness may attend some further labour towards that meeting wherefore the same friends are continued together with Jeremiah Austin William Rotch and Jethro Mitchel, to Visit them and set with them agrein in their Meetings for one year more, and Labour to be helpful to them as truth may open the way, and report their Sense of their Situation at our meeting in the third month Next –

The Queries were read with answers from the monthly meetings, and Answers Compiled from them for the Yearly meeting which are directed to be forwarded to that meeting –

We are informd by one of the Representatives, that Nantucket Monthly Meeting have had the minute of the Yearly Meeting entered upon their Books of Discipline as directed

The following Certificate in behalf of our beloved Friend Rebecca Wright was read approvd and signd by the Clerk –

From our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich the twenty 7th of the third month 1795
To the monthly meeting held at Upper Springfield in New Jersey. Dear Friends –

Our beloved Friend Rebecca Wright in the course of her visit last winter in these parts attended this meeting in the 12th month last, with your Certificate dated the 5th of the 11th month 1794 Likewise She has attended Several of our monthly and particular meetings, in which her company and Gospel Labours have been to Our Comfort and edification, with desires for her preservation in the truth and that she may return to her Family and Friends, with the reward of peace in her bosom.. We Conclude your friends and Brethren .. Signed in and on behalf of Said Meeting by .... William Rotch jr Clerk

Elizabeth Gardner Clerk
at this time -

An account was prepared to Our next Yearly Meeting, approved and Signed by the Clerk, and we appoint our friends, Thomas Hazard junr., Jeremiah Austin, Obediah Davis, Jethro mitchel, William Rotch, and John Bailey, to attend the ensuing Yearly meeting -.

The Year for which the Clerk was appointed having expired, the appointment of One for the ensuing year, is refer'd to next Quarterly meeting and the present Clerk is continued to that time

The business which came before this Meeting being accomplished we adjourn to the usual time at Nantucket ..

Signed in and on behalf of the Meeting
by William Rotch Junr. Clerk

From our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich the 27th of the 3d month 1795
To the Yearly Meeting of Friends next to be held on Rhode island for New England

Dear Friends

We receivd your Epistle of last year together with transcripts of the Epistles from London Philadelphia and New York all of which were read to our edification and Comfort, transcripts of which we have forwarded to our several Monthly Meetings, we likewise receivd the Extracts from your Minutes which we have attended to and recomended the same to our monthly Meetings and we are informd from all of them that they have had the minute of Discipline as directed by the Yearly Meeting entered upon all their Books of Discipline

Agreeable to the Yearly Meetings recommendation we have forwarded our proportion of the yearly Meeting Stock to their Treasurer

We have appointed our friends, Jeremiah Austin, Jethro Mitchel, William Rotch, Thomas Hazard Junr., John Bailey, and Obediah Davis, to attend the Yearly Meeting as Representatives

Our beloved friends John Wigham and Martha Routh from Great Britain have several times attended this Meeting and the former hath made a general
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Visit to all the Meetings thereto belonging and both of them have been engaged in Visiting the families of friends in several Meetings, in which ~~their~~ Services their Gospel Labours have been to our Edification and encouragement –

Signed in and on behalf of Said Meeting
by William Rotch Junr Clerk

Answers to the Queries

A 1st All our Meetings for Religious Worship and Discipline are duely attended by a considerable Number, others are dificient herein particularly in the attendance of Weekday Meetings the hour pretty well observed, not wholy clear of Sleeping on Account of which Some care hath been Extended, mostly Clear of other unbecoming behavior –

2d Love and Unity is preserved among a Number, altho we doubt its being in that fullness Queried after. Tale bareing backbiting and Evil Reports are mostly discouraged, and endeavours are used to end differences when they appear –

3d Some Friends endeavour to bring up those under their care in plainness, others are too Remiss herein both in Restraining their Children and in their Example, we fear all our youth are not wholy Clear of Reading bad Books, nor the

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corrupt Conversation of the World

We think the Scriptures are generally read in Friends Families

4th Friends are generally Carefull as to the Use of Spirituous Liquors, in some instances where it hath been known to be immoderately Used care hath been extended; prety Clear of frequenting Taverns and places of publick resort

Moderation we think is preserved at Marriages Births and Burials

5th We think Friends are mostly carefull in these respects.

6th Parents we think are mostly carefull to discountinance accompanying on account of Marriage without their Consent, we believe all are not wholy clear in the other parts of this Query, Some care hath been taken.

7th We knownot but Clear

8th We think Friends are mostly carefull in these Respects Gifts and Leacys duly applyed

9th Clear as far as appears

10th We think most Friends are carefull in this Respects yet we believe some are deficient in each part, on account of which some care hath been bestowed

11th We think our Records mostly attended to, but not so fully as would be best; some few Instances of friends Removing without Certificates some care taken

12th There is a care preserved amongst us for Regular and Impartial dealing with offenders but not without ~~delay~~ delay at times; and Judgment hasbeen placed where it has appeared Necessary according to Our disci=

Signed in and on behalf of Sandwich
Quarterly Meeting, held the 27th & 28th of 3 mo. 1795
by William Rotch Junr. Clerk

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held on Nantucket for Sandwich the 30th of 6 mo. 1795.

Accounts being received from the several Monthly Meetings hereto belonging, the Representatives therein named are:— For Sandwich, Elijah Brayley, Benjn. Wing & James Haxsie.—

Pembroke,— Isaac Keen, James Rogers.
Nantucket, Charles Bunker, Peter Pollard, Wm. Brown.
Dartmouth, Jos. Tucker, Wm. Anthony, Jonathan Hart.
Acoaxet, Jereh. Austin Junr. Prince Wing, John Mosier.—
New Bedford, Cornelius Howland, Peleg Howland.—
Nantucket Nothern district } Jethro Mitchell, Benjamin Barney, and Paul Gardner Junr.—

who being called, are all present.—

Samuel Rodman, is appointed Clerk, and Thomas Rotch assistant Clerk for the Year ensuing.—

The Accounts from the several Monthly Meetings being read, we observe in that from Dartmouth, they had appointed Jonathan Hart to the Station of an Elder, of which this Meeting approves, and William Rotch is appointed to acquaint the Select Meeting thereof.—

Nantucket monthly Meeting informs, that having had for some time under Consideration, the subject of an alteration in the Time of holding their Monthly Meeting, and requesting the Advice of this Meeting thereon; We appoint, Jeremiah Austin Junr. William Anthony and Benjamin Tabor, to consider thereof, confer with the Representatives from that Mo. Meeting thereupon, and report their sense of the propriety thereof, to the Adjournment of this Meeting.—

One of the Representatives appointed at last Quarterly Meeting to attend the Yearly Meeting, Reported, they all Attended. — Adjourn'd to the 4th hour this Afternoon. —

Met by Adjournment. —

The Queries with Answers thereto, received from the several Monthly Meetings were read, with the following Summary, which hath the approbation of the Meeting as comprising the State of Society in this Quarter. —

Our Meetings for Worship & Discipline, are well Attended by many friends, who are preserved therein from Sleeping & other indecencies; but a great slackness is yet apparent in some. —

We think a Concern is felt, for the support of Love and Unity in the manner Queried after, by a Number, who are also concerned to discourage Detraction &c. —

A Concern rests with some for the right Education of their Children, and are examplary themselves, yet a want of Concern appears in many. —

The unnecessary Use of Spirituous Liquors we apprehend is not somuch confin'd by all as would be best; frequenting Taverns &c. pretty well avoided, Moderation generally observ'd at Births, Marriages &c. —

It appears, that the Poor are taken Care of. —

Many Friends bear their Testimony against disorderly Marriages & Company keeping out of our Society, yet an indifferency in some others. —

As to Priests Wages & Military matters, we have no trial; the Testimony preserved with respect to Property taken in War, or the Running of Goods. —

All friends are not so careful in the inspecting of their Accounts & making Wills, as would be best. - Public Gifts duly applied. —

The Testimony preserv'd against Slavery. —

In the payment of Debts, generally careful; launching into Business according to what Truth would direct; not

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enough attended to by all. – Marriages duly Recorded, some neglect about Births and Deaths – Care is taken with respect to Certificates. ——

A Care is preserved for the regular dealing with Offenders, and placing Judgment when it appears necessary. – Some Care appears also to be extended to most of the deficiencies pointed out by the Answers. —

The following Extract from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, were Received & Read, Viz^{t}. —

"The Subject of the future holding of the Quarterly
" Meeting of Sandwich in the 10th Month, referred from last
" year, coming again before this Meeting, & no discouragement
" appearing thereunto, it is concluded, that the same be held
" in future at New Bedford, & the Clerk is directed to forward
" a Copy of this Minute to that Quarterly Meeting". —

"The Subject of Education having been brought
" before this Meeting, and our Minds having been dipped
" into an exercise upon the importance thereof, with earnest
" solicitude, that a renewed concern may be excited in the
" minds of Friends, to promote as far as in them lies the
" great Object of a Pious Education of their tender Offspring,
" do solidly recommend to our respective Quarterly & Monthly
" Meetings the weighty consideration thereof, and that they
" do encourage the formation of Schools under the special
" Care of Monthly Meetings, conformable to former Advices
" of this Meeting". —

"And as we still believe, usefulness would be derived
" to Society, by the Establishment of a Yearly Meeting School,
" and the present Fund appropriated therefor being inadequate
" for its continuation; We feel desirous that a willingness may
" be excited in the Hearts of those Friends who have a plenty
" of the things of this World, liberally to spare thereof, for so
" useful a purpose, and that Subscriptions therefor may be
" opened in each Meeting. – That Quarterly Meetings procure
" the best information they can relative to the state of Schools
" & Education in general, with an Account of what obstruction

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"they find to impede the Accomplishment of this recommend-
"ation, and give this Meeting information thereof next year." —

"This Meeting having concluded to raise One hundred
"Pounds to supply our Treasury for this year, Sandwich
"Quarterly Meeting is deſired to forward Forty Pounds to
"our Treasurer." —

"Extracted from the Minutes of our Yearly Meeting
"held on Rhode Island for New England by Ad-
"journments from the 11th to the 16th of 6mo inclusive 1795. —
by Wm Rotch Junr Clerk —

Whereby we discover the Concern, that attended that Meeting relative to the formation of Schools under the Care of each Monthly Meeting, agreeable to former Advices, as well as the sense of that Meeting respecting a Yearly Meeting School; Copies of which the Clerk is directed to furnish the Monthly Meetings with; And they are requested to pay due attention thereto by Appointment of Committees for the purposes therein mention'd, and give information to next Quarterly Meeting, to which time the further consideration of the Subject is referr'd. —

The Yearly Meeting having concluded to Raise One hundred Pounds for the Stock of the ensuing year; £40 – of which being apportion'd to this Meeting, the Monthly Meetings are deſired to furnish the following proportions thereof to the Treasurer of this Meeting, & report when done; Viz:t — Sandwich £5.19.6, Pembroke £2.–. Nantucket £8.–, Dartmouth £7.1.–. Acoaxet £5.9.6, New Bedford £3.10.–. Nantucket Nothern District £8. —

The Committee appointed to consider of the propriety of altering the Time of holding Nantucket Monthly Meeting, made the following Report. – Viz:t —

"Agreeable to Appointment We have Met, and
"consider'd the Proposition of Nantucket Monthly Meeting
"opened to us by their Representatives, and are of opinion,
"there may be a Use in an Alteration, and Unite in proposing
"to the Quarterly Meeting that, that Monthly Meeting in
"future be held on Fifth day of the week succeeding the
"last Second day in each Month, except that which

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"would fall in the week of the Quarterly Meeting in the Sixth "Month, which we think best to be held the Fifth "day before the last Second day) — which we however "submit to the Quarterly Meeting.) — 6mo: 30th 1795. —

Sign'd in behalf of the Committee by Benja Taber,
Deborah Davis

Which being Read & deliberated upon, is accepted. —

Transcripts of Epistles from our Brethren of the Yearly Meetings of London, Philada & New York, were Recd from our last Yearly Meeting, and Read to satisfaction; Cornelius Howland, Peleg Howland, and Cornelius Wing are appointed to prepare Copies thereof for each Monthly Meeting & present them to our next Quarterly Meeting.) —

Our beloved Friend Joseph Cloud of No Carolina again attended this Meeting, wherein his Company has been acceptable & his Services satisfactory.) —

The Business which came before this Meeting, being finished, we conclude & Adjourn to the usual time of holding our Quarterly Meeting in the 10mo: next at New Bedford. —

Signed in & on behalf of the Meeting —
By Saml Rodman Clerk

At Our Quarterly Meeting held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 2 of the 10 mo 1795

Accounts being received from our Several Monthly Meetings the Representatives therein named are

For Sandwich, Paul Wing 2d Jos. Wing & Prince Gifford
Pembroke, John Baily & William Howland
Nantucket, Peleg Coggeshall, Elisha Bunker
Peter Pollard & Prince Gardner
Dartmouth, Joseph Tucker Luthan Wood &
William Gifford

Acoaxet, Prince Wing David Russell & Jeremiah Austin jun.r

New Bedford, Joseph Austin & Cornelius Howland

Nantucket for the Northern District } Jethro Mitchel David Hussey & James Barker

Who being Called are all present except Peleg Coggeshall and James Barker for whose Absence acceptable reasons were rendered.

The Clerk being Absent William Rotch jun.r is appointed for this time.

The Queries were read with Answers from the several Monthly Meetings and on deliberating upon the state of Society many interesting remarks were made.

The Subject of Education having been referred from last Quarterly Meeting was brought under Consideration and two of Our Monthly Meetings having Reported the difficulties that attended their putting in practice the general advices upon that Subject to be, principally the inconvenience of Situation and difficulty of Obtaining suitable Teachers. After Solid deliberation it is recommended to Friends to use their utmost exertion to procure the best assistance they can for the instruction of their Children; and the further Consideration of this important Subject is again referred to Our next Quarterly Meeting. Nantucket & New Bedford Monthly Meetings inform in their Account that they have directed their proportions of the Yearly Meeting Stock to be paid to Our Treasurer.

The Monthly Meeting of Sandwich by the Copy of a Minute inform this Meeting that the preparative Meeting of Long Plain has manifested a desire to be annexed to New Bedford Monthly Meeting which subject having had their Solid deliberation they

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unite in proposing & Submitting the Same to this Meeting; After due consideration we feel united in Judgment that such an alteration may be Safe And it is therefore Concluded with the Concurrence of the Womens Meeting, that the Preparative Meeting of Long Plain be set off from Sandwich Monthly Meeting & be United to New Bedford Monthly Meeting; to take place after their next Monthly Meeting. And Sandwich Monthly Meeting is directed to furnish them with a list of their Members Composing that Meeting and to fix upon and report to this Meeting the line of division between them, the Clerk is directed to forward a Copy of this Minute to each of those Meetings –

Our beloved Friends Joseph Cloud & Henery Hull having since Our last Quarterly Meeting, been engaged in Religious Labours in Several of Our Meetings, we appoint Caleb Greene & Wm Rotch to prepare Certificates thereof for them and lay before our next Meeting –

The Business being accomplished we Conclude and Adjourn to the usual time in the 12th month at this place

Signed on behalf of the Meeting by
Wm Rotch Junr Clerk at this time

At Our Quarterly Meeting held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 11 of the 12 mo. 1790 Accounts being received from the Several Monthly Meetings, the Representatives therein Named are Flor,

Sandwich Joseph Wing Abner Howes & Danl Puringt
Pembroke Isaac Keen, & John Bailey;
Nantucket Silvanus Macy Charles Bunker and
Walter Folger
Dartmouth Thos Hicks Jos Estes & Jonathan Hart
Acoaxet Eber Davis Davd Russell & David Irish
New Bedford Abraham Smith Thos Hazard Junr
& Ezekiel Braley
Nantucket for the Northern District } Tristam Coffin & Peter Barney

Who being Called are all present except Thos Hicks who is absent through bodily indisposition as he informs by a line to this Meeting.

The Queries with their Answers from the Several Monthly Meetings were Read upon which many pertinent remarks upon the apparent deficiences and the following Summery was approved, as Containing a Collective view of the Answers .... Viz

Our Meetings are generally attended, yet a Slackness appears in some particularly midweek Meetings, the hour pretty well observed drowsiness appears in some at times, in which some Care is taken

Love and Unity in a good degree maintained talebearing &c generally discouraged no open differences amongst us.

A Care rests on the minds of some Friends for a guarded education of their youth; while others are not so exemplary as would be best; the Holy Scriptures generally read in friends families.

The unnecessary use of Spirituous Liquors generally avoided altho not so wholly confined to Medecine or extraordinary occasions as would be best. places of publick resort not so much avoided by all at all times as would be best, a good degree of moderation is preserved by most Friends.

The necessary care is generally extended to the poor none placed out from among friends..

Friends are mostly careful to preserve our wholsome Order respecting Marriage; while others discover but little concern therein, a few instances of accompanying with those not of our Society on that account in which some care is taken-

Our Testimony appears to be preserved respecting war Priests wages or defrauding Goverment of its duties- Friends are generally careful to inspect their affairs altho a Shortness appears in Some respecting Wills there appears a considerable deficiency, publick gifts and Legacies duely applyid-

Our Testimony is preserved respecting Slavery and nothing appears but our duty is discharged to those who have been held therein

A care generally rests on the minds of friends for reputably conducting their outward affairs, when it has appeard other ways care has been taken-

Our Records are generally attended to, a few removals without Certificates, in which Some care is taken.

Our Testimony appears to be preserved respecting timely dealing, and placing Judgment in the right Authority-

Our friend Stephen Buffington having opened to this Meeting a concern that has for some time rested on his mind to make a Visit to friends of Hoosook Saratoga &c. Nine partners, which being weightily Considered of and the Meeting manifesting its Concurrence therewith, he being a Minister in Unity and having our Sympathy in his intended Visit; an endorsement expressive thereof was made on this Certificate from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting and Signd by the Clerk

The Friends appointed at last Quarter to prepare Certificates for our Friends Joseph Cloud & Henery Hull presented them directed to their respective Meetings which being read were approv'd and signed by the Clerk and William Rotch is appointed to forward them.

The Acoaxet & Nantucket for the Northern destrict & Dartmouth Monthly Meetings inform, that they have forwarded their proportion of the Yearly Stock to Our Treasurer..

The Monthly Meeting of Sandwich have in their Account mentioned their Conclusion that the Line of Division between that and New Bedford Monthly Meeting Should be Agawom River in the Town of Wareham, it is approv'd by this Meeting; it appears also that they have furnished a list of the Members composing the Preparative Meeting of Longplain, and that they had united with the Monthly Meeting of New Bedford at their last Sitting.

The Subject of Education referd from last Quarter being brought before the Meeting & deliberated upon several judicious remarks were made tending to stimulate the minds of Friends, to the important advantages that would probably be derived from their embracing the recommendation of the last Yearly Meeting: with the ardor it deserves considering the present ease of Circumstances among friends of this Quarter; as some of the Monthly Meetings have mentioned their appointment of Committees relative to the recommendation; it is expected of them as well as of those that have not yet noticed it in their accounts that they furnish our next Meeting with an account of their progress or impediments that we may be Qualifyed to inform the Yearly Meeting agreeably to the requisition of the extracted Minute received and sent down to the Monthly Meetings — The business being accomplished we adjourn to the usual time in the third Month at Sandwich -

Signed in and on behalf of the Meeting
by Samuel Rodman Clerk

An Endorsement mde on Stephen Bufintons Certificate -

Our Friend Stephen Buffington having presented to this Meeting the within Certificate; and his Concern being weightyly considered and having our Sympathy therein we concur therewith he being a Minister in Unity, we recommend him to the tender affection and brotherly regard of Friends where his lot may be cast -

Signed in and on behalf of the Quarterly Meeting held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 11 of the 12 mo 1795

Saml. Rodman Clerk

From Our Quarterly Meeting held at New Bedford the 11 of the 12 mo 1795
To the Monthly Meeting of Friends at Cane Creek North Carolina -

Dear Friends

Our beloved Friend Jos. Cloud having been several times amongst us, in the course of his Religious Visit in New England, some of us having been feelingly dipped into Sympathy with him therein and we have to inform you that we believe

his Gospel Services both among Friends and others have been well accepted and that his conduct and Conversation hath been consistent with the Profession he makes with desires for his farther Progress and Stability in the truth we are your Affectionate Friends --
Signed in and on behalf of the Meeting by
Samuel Rodman Clerk

From our Quarterly Meeting held at New Bedford the 11 of the 12 mo. 1795
To the Creek Monthly Meeting at Nine Partners .. Dear Friends

Our beloved friend Henery Hull having in the course of his Religious Visit attended all our Monthly Meetings and most or all our Particular Meetings since the Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island, we feel desirous of informing you, that his Gospel Labours and Examplary conduct have been to general acceptation, tending both to edification and encouragement with desires that he may be preserved in true dependance upon the divine word and know a delight submission to the requirings thereof --
We conclude and remain your Affectionate Friends .. Signed in and on behalf of our said Meeting by Samuel Rodman Clerk

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At our Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich 3mo 25 1796 - by the Accounts presented the Representatives from the Several Meetings are

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For Sandwich Prince Gifford Paul Wing
& Ebenezar Wing -
Pembroke William Howland & John Bailey
Nantucket Prince Gardner Peter Pollard
& Peleg Mitchel -
Dartmouth Joseph Tucker Gideon Howland
& William Anthony
Acoaksit Jeremiah Austin Eben Davis
& Prince Wing
New Bedford Cornelius Howland Russell -
- Braley & Caleb Greene..
Nantucket for
the Northern district } Jethro Mitchell Paul
Gardner Junr & Laban Mitchel
Who being Called are all present -

The Clerk being absent Caleb Greene is apoint
to that Service at this time -

This Meeting is informd by the Accounts from Sandwich & Nantucket that they have made progress towards Erecting Schools under their Care, So far that they have raisd Subscriptions for that purpose - That Pembroke & Dartmouth have not yet effected any thing; that New Bedford has established one sufficient for their members; and that the Northern District of Nantucket has appointed a Committee for accomplishing the Purpose, and it is recommended that those Monthly Meetings which have not yet effected any thing towards creating Schools, may not only keep So desirable an Object in view but use
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their endeavours untill they have Schools established wholly under their Care.

Sandwich and Pembroke in their Account inform, that they have forwarded their Several proportions of the Yearly Meeting Stock to the The Treasurer.

The Committee continued in the third month last year with the addition to visit and assist the Monthly Meeting of Pembroke made the following Report:

To the Quarterly Meeting now Sitting

The Committee appointed to Visit the Monthly Meeting of Pembroke have mostly attended that Service, and notwithstanding weakness appears among them; yet we have a comfortable hope that some advancement is manifest toward bringing things into right Order; and as the greater part of the Committee are now present we are unanimously of the judgment that it is best that the Monthly Meeting be Continued which we Submit to the Quarterly Meeting.

Signed by order of the Committee present by
William Rotch
Phebe Wing
Sandwich 3mo 25 1796

Which is acceptable to this Meeting.

The Queries with Answers thereto were read approved and together with an Account to the Yearly Meeting was Signed by the Clerk.

We appoint William Rotch, Jeremiah Austin, Joseph Wing, William Anthony, Peter Pollard, & John Bailey, to attend our next Yearly Meeting.

Sandwich Monthly Meeting in their Account inform; that they have concluded upon the following Alteration in the times of holding their Monthly Meetings viz.

At Sandwich First third forth Sixth Eighth Tenth & Twelfth –

At Falmouth, Second, Fifth, seventh Ninth, and Eleventh, All to be held the first Sixth Day in each Month; except that in the Seventh to be held the Sixth Day succeeding the Quarter at Nantucket; them in the tenth and twelfth to be held the third Day preceding the Quarter: the tenth and twelfth Months

Which this Meeting approves of.

This Meeting is informed by the Womens Meeting that they approve of the appointment from Acoakset Monthly Meeting of Patience Austin to the Station of an Elder which this Meeting concurs with and Caleb Greene is appointed to inform the Select Quarterly Meeting thereof –

This Meeting directs the Treasurer to forward our proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock to the Yearly Meetings Treasurer

The Representatives proposed to this Meeting the removal of the Quarterly Meeting that is now held at Sandwich in the third Month to the place of New Bedford and that which is now held at New Bedford in the Tenth Month to be in future held at Sandwich; the Consideration of which is refer'd to Our next Quarterly Meeting

A Testimony from Sandwich Monthly Meeting Concerning our esteemed Friend Anne Allen was read and after Some Alteration approved in this Meeting and directed to be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting

The Business being accomplished we adjourn to the usual time at Nantucket

Signed in and by direction of Said Meeting by Caleb Greene; Clerk for this time

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Answers to the Queries

Answer 1st All Our Meetings for Religious Worship & Discipline are duly attended by the greater part of our Members, who avoid unbecoming behaviour, yet there is a shortness in many, particularly in attending mid week Meetings. the hour generally Observed. not wholly clear of Sleeping, some care is taken

2d Love and unity appears in a good degree to be maintained by most friends yet not so fully as is queried. tale bearing and detraction generally discouraged. where differences have Arisen, endeavours have been used to end them

3d There are some among us who endeavour to bring up those under their direction in plainness and to restrain them from bad Books and example with themselves while many others are but little concerned in these respects. the holy Scriptures generally read, some care extended

4th We fear the use of Spirituous Liquors is not wholly confined to Medicinal and necessary Occasions mostly clear of the unnecessary frequenting Taverns and places of public resort moderation is preserved at Births Marriages &c some care taken in the above

5th We believe care is taken of the poor according to this query and none placed out that we know of —

6th We believe all parents and Guardians do not discountenance those under their care accompaning on account of Marriage without their consent and that all our young and unmarried do not pay that attention to this query that would be best; disorderly Marriages are discountenanced —

7th Clar as far as appears —

8th All Friends are not careful timely to inspect their affairs, make their wills &c Gifts and Legacies duly applied Some care taken —

9th Clear for ought that appears —

10th We think Friends are generally careful in these respect

11th Our Records are generally attended to the other part pretty Clear

12th A care rests on the minds of some friends to deal regularly with all offenders and to place judgment according to Dicipline

From Our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich the 25th of the 3 Month 1796

To the next yearly Meeting to be held on Rhode Island for New England

Dear Friends

The Extracts from the Minutes of Last yearly Meeting with Transcrips of the London Philadelphia and New York Epistles were received and read to satisfaction, Transcrips of which were made and forwarded to the several Monthly Meetings hereto belonging

Agreeable to the desire of the yearly Meeting we have recommended to the Monthly Meetings to erect Schools wholly under their Care for the Tuition of Our Children & Youth which has been complied with by several of the Monthly Meetings which have made progress therein so far as to raise Subscriptions and appoint Committees for that purpose and in One there is a School established under that Description

Committees have been appointed for raising Subscriptions for the yearly Meetings School, but none has been yet received -

Answers have been compiled from the several Accounts from the Monthly Meetings hereto belonging which, are sent herewith, being descriptive of our State

We appoint William Rotch, Jeremiah Austin Joseph Wing, William Anthony, Peter Pollard & John Bailey to attend the service of the yearly Meeting -

We have directed our Treasurer to forward to the yearly Meetings Treasurer our proportion of the yearly Meeting Stock - We remain your Friends and Brethren - sign'd ~~in~~ on behalf and by direction of said Meeting

by Caleb Greene Clerk for this time

PS a Testimony concerning our Valuable Friend Anne Allen from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich was read in the Mens & Womens Meeting and approved and is herewith forwarded - This Meeting also approves of the appointment of Jonathan Heart of Dartmouth Monthly Meeting and of Patience Austin of Acoaxet Monthly Meeting to the station of Elders

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At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Nantucket for Sandwich the 28th of 6mo 1796. —

Accounts being received from the several Monthly Meetings hereto belonging, the Representatives therein named are - for
Sandwich, Benj:n Wing, Joseph Wing & Daniel Purington.
Pembroke, Stephen Rogers & Smith Brown.
Nantucket, Abishai Paddack, Peleg Mitchel & Obed Marshall.
Dartmouth, Wm Anthony, Joseph Tucker, & Zeph:h Buffinton.
Acoaxet, Jeremiah Austin & Noah Gifford.
New Bedford, Benj:n Taber, Cornelius Howland, & Russell Brayley.
Nantucket Northern District, Jethro Mitchell, Ja:s Barker, Uriah Macy & Laban Mitchell. —

who being called are all present, except Zephaniah Buffington & Uriah Macy - absent thro' bodily indisposition. —

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The Year for which the Clerk of this Meeting was appointed having expired, Saml. Rodman is appointed Clerk for this time, & the choice of an Annual Clerk, is refer'd to next Quarter.

The Representatives having proposed Obadiah Davis, as Assistant Clerk; he is appointed for the year ensuing. —

The Queries with Answers thereto from the several Monthly Meetings were read, upon which several Remarks applicable to the Deficiencies apparent in the Answers were made. A Summary of the State of Society as collected from the Answers, was also Read, wch. being thereto adapted, is as follows. —

All our Meetings are pretty well kept up & attended by a Number of Friends, others seem quite remiss; Sleeping obvious at times, generally clear of other indecencies, care is generally extended. — Many Friends are labouring to possess Love & Unity, others are inattentive hereto; detraction generally discouraged; Care is taken to end differences. —

Some Friends are endeavouring to bring up their Offspring in plainness, discouraging all bad Books, & corrupt Conversation, who read the Holy Scriptures, yet Care & example is much wanting in others. —

The use of Spiritous Liquors, generally Confined to Medicine &c. Taverns & places of public Resort, not much unnecessarily attended, yet there is some exception; Moderation is pretty well observed. — The Necessities of the Poor appear to be attended to, and none placed out. —

Many Friends are labouring for a regular proceeding, as far as respects Company keeping & Marriage, though some disorder is obvious. — Our Testimony seems pretty well supported against Priests Wages &c. and no evasion of the payment of duties appears. —

Some deficiencies respecting settling Accounts & making Wills; Our Testimony against Slavery generally maintain'd, Generally careful in the performance of promises; as to launching into business we believe more circumspection would be best. —

Our Records are attended to, & an Attention paid to

Discipline

Discipline respecting Certificates. —

Generally careful to deal regularly & impartially with Offenders & to place Judgment upon the obstinate. —

Adjourn'd to 3 O'Clock this Afternoon. —

Met by Adjournment. —

The London General Epistle of last Year, was read to our satisfaction. —

Our beloved friend John Lloyd attended this Meeting, where his Company & Services have been acceptable, & produced a Copy of a Minute from the Monthly Meeting of Gwinned dated the 4mo. last, expressive of their unity with his Ministry. —

Also, our beloved friend, Remington Hobby, attended this Meeting, where his Company & Services have been acceptable, & produced a Copy of a Minute from Vassalborough Monthly Meeting dated last Month, expressing their unity with his ministry, & Concurrence in his intended visit. —

Also our beloved friend Hannah Barnard, attended this Meeting, wherein her Company & Services have been acceptable, & produced a Copy of a Minute from the Monthly Meeting of Hudson, dated the 4mo. last; expressing their Unity with her Visit & Ministry. — Also our beloved friend Elizth. Varney attended this Meeting, wherein her Company & Services have been acceptable, & produced a Copy of a Minute from Dover Monthly Meeting dated the 21st. of last month, expressive of their liberty to make a Religious Visit to friends of Nantucket, and their approbation of her Ministry; All which were Read to our satisfaction. —

The following Extract from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting was Received & read, A Copy of which is directed to the Monthly Meetings hereto belonging Viz. —

"By the Reports from the several Quarterly Meetings it "appears, that attention hath been paid to our Recommendation "last year, relative to a Pious Education of our Children; and "as the Concern has revived in our Quarterly & Monthly Meetings "and some progress has been made therein, We hope that Friends "will be favour'd to follow the pointings of Truth on this important Subject; in which the present Generation are so deeply "interested; And we are again feelingly Concern'd to recommend

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"first in general to Quarterly Meetings to persevere in pay-
"ing particular attention to this concern; and also, in an
"especial manner to Parents and those who have the care
"of Children; that they suffer no reasonable expence that
"their outward Circumstances will warrant to retard or prevent
"this very necessary Work. — And the several Quarterly Meet-
"ings are requested to send in Account to our next Meeting,
"what further progress they may have made". —

"It is Recommended that in future the Monthly
"Meetings be not required to send Answers to the Quar-
"terly Meetings except; to the First, Second & Twelfth
"Queries, only once in the Year at the Meeting next pre-
"ceeding the Yearly Meeting, when they are to Answer
"them all as heretofore: — But that all the Queries be read
"in the several Meetings Quarterly; and Friends are
"desired to stir one another up to a more diligent appli-
"cation of the important Duties by them enjoined, to
"themselves individually; That an increase of Care
"may be witnessed by this Alteration". —

"It is recommended, that in all Cases where Monthly
"Meetings find it necessary to Build a New Meeting House
"they apply to the Quarterly Meeting to which they belong
"for Advice therein". —

"This Meeting having concluded to raise One hundred
"Pounds, Sandwich Quarterly Meeting is requested to
"forward to our Treasurer Forty pounds, their proportion thereof." —

"Nantucket Monthly Meeting for the Nothern dis-
"trict having given information, that thro' the few Friends
"of Dartmouth in Novascotia application hath been made
"to them, from several Persons residing in the Eastern British
"Colonies, to be received Members of our Society, in which
"Case they desire Advice. — Which Subject having been
"weightily before this Meeting, it is recommended to Sand-
"wich Quarterly Meeting to take especial care thereof; and
"in such manner as they may find best, endeavour to gain such further
"information relative to the Matter as may be necessary, and also
"afford such Advice and Assistance as the importance of the Case
"may Require." —

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Extracted from the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting for New England, held on Rhode Island in the 6mo. 1796.
by :- Wm. Rotch Junr. Clerk this year.

The paragraph of the above extract relative to the Persons who have applied thro' the few friends of Dartmouth Novascotia to be received Members of our Society, & therein recommended to our especial care, being before the Meeting & seriously considered of, and it being apprehended that it has become necessary to know the situation of the few friends who reside there, members of the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket for the Nothern District, & that the charge of them is too ponderous for that Meeting solely to sustain; We Appoint Jethro Mitchel, Joseph Wing, Wm. Rotch Junr. & James Davis to Visit them, & endeavour, under the influence of best Wisdom to come at such knowledge as may guide this Meeting in their Advices to the Monthly Meeting to which they belong, how far they may be entitled to enjoy the indulgencies, granted them by the Yearly, Quarterly & Mo. Meetings, in holding Meetings, and of their fitness to have others annexed to them, if the Motives of Application in the persons, desirous to be received Members of our Society, are found to be such, as the Committee may judge sincere and disinterested. ——

By the foregoing Extracts we are informed, that the Yearly Meeting had concluded to Raise, One Hundred pounds Stock for the present Year, Forty pounds of which being allotted to this Quarter, is proportioned by the Representatives in the following manner, which the respective Meetings are desired to forward to the Quarterly Meetings Treasurer. ——
Sandwich £4.., Pembroke £1.4.–, Nantucket £9.–,
Dartmouth £7.., Acoaxet £5.., New Bedford £6.16–
& Nantucket Nothern district £7.– . ——

The Consideration of the proposal Refer'd from last Quarter, of Removing the Quarterly Meeting now held in Course at Sandwich in the 3d. Month to New Bedford, & that held at New Bedford in the 10th. month to Sandwich, is Refer'd to the next Quarterly Meeting to be held at Sandwich. ——

Transcripts

Transcripts of Epistles from the Yearly Meetings of London, Philadelphia & New York; being Received from our last Yearly Meeting, were Read to Satisfaction; Copies of which, with a printed London Epistle; the Clerk is directed to deliver to the Representatives from each Mo. Meeting. —

The Friends appointed to attend the last Yearly Meeting, reported their Attendance. —

The Business being finished, the Meeting closes, and Adjourns to the usual time at New Bedford Q. —

Signed in and on behalf of the Meeting
By, Saml. Rodman, Clerk this time

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 7th of the 10th mo 1796

Accounts being received from the several Monthly Meetings hereto belonging, the Representatives therein Named are, for: Sandwich, John Wing junr. George Allen & Paul Wing
Pembroke, William Howland & Smith Brown
Nantucket, Peleg Mitchel, Abishai Bunker, Peter Pollard & Samuel Rodman
Dartmouth, Joseph Tucker, Jonathan Wilber & Joseph Gifford
Acoaxet, Isaac Peckham, Jeremiah Austin junr. & Prince Wing
New Bedford, John Russell, Joseph Austin Thomas Hazard junr. & Richard Davis
Nantucket nothern District } David Joy, Robert Gardner junr. & Peleg Easton

The Representatives being called are all present except Richard Davis for whose absence a satisfactory reason was offerd.

Samuel Rodman is appointed Clerk for the day.

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By accounts received from their respective Meetings we are informed that Sandwich, Pembroke, Dartmouth, Acoaxet & New Bedford have forwarded to the Treasurer of this Meeting their proportions of the Yearly Meeting stock agreeable to the recommendation of our last Meeting —

The Queries were read, and Answers to the 1st 2nd & 12th from each Monthly Meeting agreeable to the Advice of our last Yearly meeting -

The Committee appointed at our last Quarterly Meeting, to Visit the Friends at Dartmouth Novascotia, Members of Nantucket Monthly Meeting for the Nothern District, and the other purposes contained in the Minutes of their Appointment having accomplished that service, presented the following Report Vizt —

According to the appointment of our last Quarterly Meeting, we have visited the several families of friends who are members of Nantucket Monthly meeting & residing at Dartmouth in Novascotia, and sat with them in several Meetings, wherein we endeavoured to discharge the trust Committed to our care, and believe our labours & Company were very Acceptable to them: And altho' their numbers are small, we believe it will yet be safe to entrust them with the several indulgencies heretofore granted to the friends who Composed that meeting - "We also specially visited the four friends who have requested to be admitted members of our society Viz Jonathan Eliot & Deborah Thayne of Dartmouth, Andrew Crawford of Halifax & Job Young of Annapolis; in all which we were comforted in the belief that they have been Convinced of the excellency of the way of Truth, & have made some progress therein and that it may be best for them to be received into Membership with us." —

We also Visited several families parts of which are Members of our Society from different parts, & had several meetings in their Neighbourhoods as far as Annapolis, which were to general satisfaction, many Minds being

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turned towards us in much love & Sympathy with whom we parted in much nearness of affection, and since, on our way home have had several Meetings where no friends had before visited which were to good satisfaction & the People generally very open & disposed to shew kindness unto us.

Belfast 9th mo 29th 1796

James Davis
Jethro Mitchell
Joseph Wing
Wm Rotch Junr

Which being twice read & deliberately Considered under an humbling sense of favour, is Accepted. And it being thought safe by this Meeting that the four friends Named in the report, be admitted Members of our Society the Clerk is directed to furnish that Monthly Meeting with a copy of this minute including the Report, this Meeting advising the Acceptance of them if it meets the Judgment of that meeting after mature Consideration

Nantucket Monthly Meetings having each in their accounts informed that they apprehending that friends of their Meetings would be better accommodated by an Alteration in the line of Division between them, had Appointed Committees to consider thereof, who reported an Alteration, contained in their accounts, which hath the Approbation of this Meeting, & the Clerk is directed to furnish each of those monthly Meetings with a Coppy of this Minute.—

This Meeting thinking it necessarry to have a shed for the accommodation of Horses, built in the Meeting house yard at New Bedford appoints John Howland, Gideon Howland, John Mosier, John Wing Junr, Smith Brown Peleg Caston & Samuel Redman a committee to have the same executed according to the dimensions they may agree upon and report the same with the expence to a future Quarterly Meeting.—

The Clerk is directed to prepare a sumary Account from the three Answers to the queries & present it to the next Quarterly Meeting.—

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The Business being finished, the Meeting Concludes & adjourns to the usual time at this place.

Signed in and on behalf of the Meeting
By Samuel Redman, Clerk this time

From our Quarterly Meeting held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 7th of the 11th Month 1796
To the Monthly Meeting of Friends of Greenwich
Dear Friends

Our beloved Friend John Lloyd attended our last Quarterly Meeting at Nantucket with a copy of a minute from your Meeting

We hereby Certify that his Life conversation & religious engagements amongst us were exemplary & satisfactory, tending to edification, with a hope that he has returned to you with the reward of peace -
We remain your Friends

Signed in & on behalf of the Meeting
By Samuel Redman Clerk this time

From Our Quarterly Meeting held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 7th of the 11th month 1796
To the Monthly Meeting of Friends of Sapalloraugh
Dear Friends

Our beloved Friend Remington Hobby attended our last Quarterly Meeting at Nantucket with a Copy of a minute from your Meeting, His company & Services having been acceptable & satisfactory, & his Deportment exemplary, we certify the same to you

Signed in & by order of the Meeting
By Samuel Redman Clerk this time

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 9th of 12mo 1796

Accounts being received from the several Monthly Meeting hereto belonging the representatives therein Named are. —

For Sandwich.	Joseph Wing. Prince Gifford & Joseph Hoxie. —
Pembrook.	James Rogers & Stephen Rogers
Nantucket.	Prince Gardner, Obed Macy & Samuel Macy. —
Dartmouth	Benjamin Smith John Tucker & William Gifford. —
Acoaxet.	Lovet Tripp Noah Gifford & Eber Davis
New Bedford	Abraham Smith Obadiah Davis & Thomas Hazard Jun. —
Nantucket Northern District }	Peter Barney Silvanus Coleman & Laban Mitchell. —

The representatives being called are all Present, Thomas Hazard Jun being proposed by the Representatives as Clerk to this meeting for the Year ensuing, and the meeting approving thereof, he is accordingly Appointed,

The Clerk being appointed at the last Quarterly meeting, to prepair a Summary to the Answers to the Queries then sent to this meeting, which he having done, are read & approved, and are as follows, "Our Meetings appear to be all kept up and attended by many friends, whilst others seem remiss & negligent therein, sleeping is at times apparent; generally clear of other indecencies, care is expreſsd to be extended in some instances.~ Love & Unity appears by the Answers to be maintained by some, whilst it is obviously wanting, in some other members of our Society, Talebearing discouraged.~ Care appears to be taken to end differences ~

The Monthly meetings appear to be careful to deal regularly & impartially with Offenders, and to place judgment upon the Obstinate according to Descipline.~

The Queries were read with answers to the 1st 2nd & 12th, from each monthly Meeting expreſsive of some painful deficiences yet remaining amongst us, particularly in the want of the due attendance of our Religious Meetings, on which some Lively and pertenant remarks were made, which are recommended to the serious & solid attention of Friends, from which the following Summary was collected, read & approved.~

All our Meetings for Religious worship & Decipline appear to be pretty well kept up, & the hour Observed by most of our members, yet Others seem much remiſs herein, sleeping and Other Unbecoming behaviour is discoverable in a few at times, & some care appears to be extended

There are some amongst us who are labouring to poſseſs Love & Unity as becomes the followers of Christ, who Endeavour both by their Example & precept to Obviate every Species of detraction, while Others appear to be much wanting herein an Outward harmony appears generally to Subsist

subsist among all our members ~

A concern seems to be preserved among us for a regular & impartial dealing with all offenders, Judgment appears to be placed according to decipline. ~

Sandwich monthly meeting in their account propose Paul Wing to the Station of an Elder, which claming the solid attention of this meeting, with the concurrance of the Womens meeting we approve; & the Clerk is directed to incert it in our Account to next Yearly Meeting. & Joseph Wing is appointed to inform the Select Quarterly meeting thereof, and report to our next meeting. ~

Nantucket monthly meeting in their account inform, that they have directed their proportion of the Yearly meeting stock paid to the Treasurer of this meeting

The Committee from this meeting who have Visited Nova scotia presented an account of their expences in said Journey, amounting to four hundred & Ninety five Dollars & thirty four Cents: of which said Committee subscribed one half, leaving two hundred & forty seven Dollars & sixty seven Cents Due, which our Treasurer is directed to pay to said Committee

A certificate was presented to this meeting from Dartmouth Monthly Meeting, expressing their Unity & concurrence with our beloved friend Stephen Buffinton paying a religious

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Sarah Barker E 12mo 1785 Nant
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Abigail Wing 2d } E 3mo 1786 Sand

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Phebe Robinson M. 12mo 1788 "

Joseph Tucker 2d
Rhoda Tucker } E " Dartm

Jos. Wing E 10mo 1789 Sandw

Susanna Russell
Abigail White } E 12mo 1789 Acoaxet

William Brown E 3mo 1791 Nant

Silvanus Macy E 3mo 1792 "

Elizabeth Worth M 6mo 1792 "

Jonathan Hall E 6mo 1795 Acoaxet

— 10mo 1771 E Peruna Allen E 3mo 1796 Acoaxet

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10mo 1781 Mary Bailey P. appd. E

Geo Allen appd E 3mo 1772 Sandwich

John Bailey 2d
Mary Bailey } E 10mo 1781 Pembroke

Benjamin Swift
John Russell
Richard Delano } E " Sandwich

Alice Starbuck E 10mo 1782 Nantuckett

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Hephzibah Harris & Anna Swain } E 3mo 1785 "

1mo 1782 Mary Rogers P. . E

10mo 1782 Alice Starbuck " E

3 . 1783 Lois Macy
Elizabeth Rotch } N. E E

Visit to friends of the Oblong, Nine partners & Some of the Northern parts of New York Yearly meeting, & he opening his concern before this meeting, which after being Solidly considered we cordially approve & Unite, with desires that he may be favored to accomplish the same under the guidance of best wisdom, & return with the reward of peace, on which Certificate the following endorsement was made *

This meeting taking into consideration the State of the Treasury, Conclude to raise the Sum of Five hundred Dollars; & the Clerk is directed to apportion the same to the several monthly meeting, & inform them thereof who are requested to forward their apportionments to our Treasurer and inform our next meeting thereof

Sandwich proportion	$ 50
Pembrook Ditto ----	15
Nantucket Ditto ---	112 · 50
Dartmouth Ditto ---	87 · 50
Acoaxet Ditto ----	62 · 50
New Bedford Ditto ---	85 · ..
Nantucket Northern District } Ditto --	87 · 50
	$ 500 ..

The business which came before this Meeting being accomplished we conclude & adjourn to the usual time in the third month at Sandwich, Signed in & on behalf of our said Meeting by

Thos. Hazard Jun

* From our Quarterly Meeting of friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 9th of 12th mo 1796

The within Certificate being presented to this meeting, & claiming our Solid attention & we Simpathising with our said friend in his concern, do Unite therewith, with desires for his preservation under the guidance of unering wisdom we conclude your affectionate friends Brethren & Sisters, Signed by order of said meeting meeting by Thos Hazard Jr Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich the 24 of 3 mo 1797..

Accounts being receive from the Several Monthly meeting hereto belonging the Representitives therein Named are..

For Sandwich, David Kelly Joseph Wing Junr.
Daniel Purington & Stephen Wing
Pembrook, Stephen Rogers & Zacheus Easties.
Nantucket, George Ruſsell Peleg Mitchel
& Jared Gardner.
Dartmouth, Benjamin Smith Wm Anthony
Joseph Tucker & Abner Potter Junr.
Acoaxet, Jeremiah Austin Junr. Eber Davis
& Prince Wing..
New-Bedford, Cornelius Howland Obediah Davis
& Thomas Rotch..
Nantucket Northern District} Jethro Mitchel James Barker
Zenas Gardner & Robert Brayton.

Who being called are all present except Benjamin Smith for whose absence a Satisfactory reason was rendered.

The Queries were read with answers from the Several monthly meetings from which general answers were compiled directed to the yearly meeting expressive of many deficiences yet remaining amongst us on which Some suitable remarks were made; the Reference from the meeting in the 6 mo. last proposing the future holding the Meeting which is now held in the 3 mo at Sandwich to be held at New-Bedford & the meeting which is now held in the 10 mo at New-Bedford to be held at Sandwich & being weightily considered is concluded to be sent up to the yearly meeting & the same is directed to be inserted in the Acct.

Joseph Wing being appointed at our last meeting to inform the Select Quarterly meetg of the appointment of Paul Wing to the Station of an Elder, he not having accomplished it is continued to do it & report to our next meeting —

The monthly meeting of Sandwich, Pembrook, Nantucket & Acoaxet inform that they have directed to be forwarded to our treasurer their proportion of this meetings stock.

The monthly Meetg of Acoaxet inform that they have appointed Jeremiah Austin Junr. to the Station of an Elder

& New-Bedford monthly meeting inform that they have appointed Wm. Rotch Junr. to the same Station with which this meeting with the concurrence of the Womens meeting approve & the Clerk is directed to insert the same in our Acct to the yearly Meeting & Joseph Wing is appointed to inform the Select Quarterly Meeting thereof.

Sandwich monthly meeting propose building a shed for the Use of this meeting whereupon we appoint Russell Braley Smith Brown Benjamin Wing Peleg Mitchel Joseph Tucker Jeremiah Austin Jun.r James Barker to take the same into consideration & Report to our next meet.g

We appoint Obadiah Davis Thomas Rotch Smith Brown Joseph Wing Cornelius Howland Robert Brayton Peleg Mitchel:

To attend the servis of next yearly meet.g & report to our next meeting

An account was prepared for our next yearly meeting which was read approved & signed by the Clerk.—

The business which came before this meeting being accomplished we conclude to the usual time of meeting at Nantucket Signed in & on behalf of said meet.g

by Thos Hazard Jun.r Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Nantucket for Sandwich the 27th of 6 mo. 1797.—

Accounts being received from the several Monthly Meetings hereto belonging, the Representatives therein Named are.— For, Sandwich, Joseph Wing Jun.r Prince Gifford Jun.r & Abiel Akins.—

Pembroke, John Bailey & James Rogers.—

Nantucket, Prince Gardner, Abishai Bunker & Obed Marshall.—

Dartmouth, Thomas Mott, Joseph Gifford Jun.r and Zephaniah Buffington.—

Acoaxet, Jeremiah Austin, Noah Gifford & Lovel Tripp.—

New Bedford, Ezekiel Braley, Cornelius Howland and Joseph Austin. —

Nantucket Mo. District } James Barker, Laban Mitchel and Zenas Gardner. —

Who being call'd are all present, except Cornelius Howland, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was offer'd. —

The Clerk not being present, Samuel Rodman is Appointed Clerk for this time. —

The Queries were Read with Answers Recd. from each Mo. Meeting to the 1st, 2d & 12th, by which it appears —

That our Meetings for Religious Worship & Discipline are attended by the greatest part of our Members, yet many are remiss herein, that the Hour is generally observed and Sleeping with some other indecencies discoverable. — That some Friends in each Mo. Meeting are laboring to possess Love & Unity, & by Example & precept discourage detraction, while others are neglectful hereof. — That an outward harmony generally subsists, though not without exception — And that a Care rests on the Minds of some for regular & impartial dealing with Offenders. —

Upon the deficiencies apparent herein, that of Sleeping & the Nonattendance of Midweek Meetings, seem'd in a more pointed manner to Affect the Minds of some present, upon which some pertinent observations were made, which it is hoped may be profitably remember'd. —

Our beloved friend Nathan Allen Smith, attended this Meeting with a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Philadelphia for the Northern District dated the 23d. of last Month, directed to Friends in New York & New England, expressive of their Unity with his Ministry, which was read to satisfaction, his Company & Services being Acceptable among us. —

The Friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting we are inform'd all attended. —

Joseph Wing reports that he inform'd the Quarterly select Meeting of the appointment of Paul Wing, Jeremiah Austin Junr & William Rotch Junr. to the Station of Elders. —

Dartmouth Mo. Meeting in their Account informs, that they have forwarded to the Treasurer of this Meeting, their proportion of Stock. —

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Our friend Ebenezer Cresson presented a Certificate from the Mo. Meeting of Chester, Pennsylvania, dated the 24th of the 4mo. last; expressive of their Approbation of, & concurrence in his Accompanying our beloved friend John Wigham, who again attended this Quarterly Meeting in the Course of his Religious Visit on this Continent; which was read to satisfaction.

Our Friend William Mitchell attended this Meeting with a Copy of a Minute from Nine Partners Mo. Meeting dated the 19th of 4mo. last, expressive of his being an Elder in Unity.

Adjourn'd to 4 O'Clock this Afternoon.—

Met by Adjournment.—

The Representatives being called, are all present.—

The following Epistle & Extracts from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting were Received, with Transcripts of Epistles from the Yearly Meetings of London, Philada. & New York; which were all Read to our Satisfaction, the Weighty Communications therein are directed to the solid attention of the Monthly Meetings; Copies whereof the Clerk is directed to furnish them with.

From our Yearly Meeting held on Rhode Island for New England by Adjournments from 8th of the 6mo. to 13th of the same inclusive 1797.—

To the Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging.—

Dear Friends. Feeling our Minds renewedly engaged for the promotion of the Cause of Righteousness in the several Branches of our Religious Society, We Affectionately Salute you; desiring your close Attention to the several precious Testimonies given us to bear, by the Holy Head of the Church; the various declensions therefrom manifested by your Answers to the Queries have painfully affected our Minds, and has been cause of Mourning & heaviness of Heart.— And dear Friends, you who are exercised in the Management of the Affairs of the Church, we tenderly exhort you to turn your Attention to the inspeaking Word: Christ in you the hope of Glory, patiently waiting for his Instruction, & diligently following the pointings of Truth,

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in all your Religious exercises, whereby you will be enabled to labour rightly for the restoration of Backsliders, and those who are Careless & inattentive to their Souls Welfare; be not Superficial in your Movements, but weighty in your Spirits, both in & out of Meetings, chearfully giving up your Services in fulfilling the duties allotted you, Careful in your own examples and that of your Families, that others, beholding your Care & exercise, may be encouraged to follow you wherein you follow Christ:- And let not the Love of this World and the desire after Riches, that are not durable, have place in your Minds to the weakening the inward Man, and obstructing your growth & establishment in the Truth.— Seek to abide in humility & you will doubtless be made valiant in the Lords hand to promote the cleansing of the Camp & preserving the Authority of our Discipline.—

We believe more faithful labour amongst the various delinquents is necessary, in much tenderness & love; and as you wait for the arisings of Holy help therein you will be so instructed, that your labours will prove availing;- Be ever watchful over those who give way to that reproachful practice of Sleeping in our Meetings, use freedom & tenderness with them, persuading & encouraging them to more faithful exertions to overcome so shameful a practice, that by fasting & prayer their faith may be increased & they Quickened to usefulness in the Church.—

And as we have been comforted in a hopeful prospect among the young & rising Generation, in various parts of our Yearly Meeting, we earnestly entreat those who are the visited Children of the Lord, that ye give not back nor be dismayed, altho. you may have none to look unto, or lean upon but the Lord alone, trust in him who hath manifested his love unto you, wait upon him for his divine influence, who will assuredly arise for your healing:- Remembering, that in the Lord Jehovah is Everlasting Strength.—

And we further entreat all, not to forsake Assembling yourselves together in our Religious Meetings, as

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the manner of some are, for what Ground have we to expect divine preservation in any alotment of Life, if we suffer our Business, or a Careless & lukewarm disposition to prevent attending to this important Concern, of presenting ourselves in order thro' Holy help to be enabled to perform Acceptable Worship to that Divine Being; whose due it is, and our most Reasonable duty! —

The Subject of making Just Wills, having been weightily before this Meeting, We are concern'd to Recommend the Reading of the Article of Discipline upon this Subject in each of our Quarterly, Monthly & Preparative Meetings, and a faithful Attention thereto is Recommended. — With the salutation of Love, we are, Your friends & Brethren. — Signed on behalf said Meeting — Wm. Rotch Junr. Clerk to the Meeting this Year. —

Extracts from the Yearly Meeting Minutes held on Rhode Island 6 mo. 1797. —

"The important Subject of a guarded Education
"having the deliberate Consideration of this Meeting, We feel
"renewedly encouraged to recommend to the Monthly Meetings
"who are not yet provided with necessary Schools, not to
"relax their exertions to accomplish that desirable object:—
"And that an Account be again sent up next year, of the
"progress herein." —

"A Concern having spread in this Meeting on
"Account of the Afflicted & Oppressed State of many of the
"Indian Natives in this part of the Country, and a desire
"excited to gain further information thereof, the Subject
"is referred to the Consideration of our next Yearly Meeting,
"and in the mean time the Meeting for Sufferings are re-
"quested to make what enquiries & gain what knowledge they
"can respecting the State of that People, and where they
"find Assistance is wanting, that they promote Subscriptions
"for their Relief." —

"It is concluded that the Yearly Meeting begin with
"a Meeting for Ministers & Elders at Portsmouth on

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"Rhode Island, the Seventh day after the second Sixth "day in the Sixth Month at the Ninth hour in the "Morning; And the public Meeting for Worship to begin "the First day following at Portsmouth and Newport, at "the tenth hour in the Morning & the fourth hour in the "Afternoon; the Meeting for Business to begin at Newport "at the Ninth hour on Second day Morning following".—

"It is Concluded from the proposal of Sandwich Quar- "terly Meeting, that in future, the Quarterly Meeting in "the Tenth Month, be held at Sandwich; and that in the "Third Month at New Bedford.—

"This Meeting having concluded to raise Four "Hundred Dollars for the ensuing Year, have Apportioned "One hundred & Sixty Dollars to Sandwich Quarter, which "they are Requested to forward to our Treasurer".—

Copy, Wm. Rotch Junr. Clerk, to the Meetg this year.

By the foregoing Extract we are informed, that this Quarterly Meeting's proportion of Yearly Stock, is One hundred & Sixty Dollars, which being apportioned by the Representatives to the Monthly Meetings, is as follows — Vizt.

Sandwich	$16:—	New Bedford	$34:40
Pembroke	4:80	Dartmouth	28:—
Nantucket	36:—	Acoaxet	12:80
			75:20
			56:80
		Nantucket No. District	28:—
			$160:—

which those Meetings are desired to forward to this Meetings Treasurer, & furnish an Account thereof to a future Quarterly Meeting.—

Our beloved friend Charity Cook, whose Company and Services in this Meeting have been Acceptable, attended this Meeting & produced Certificates from the Mo. Meeting & Quarterly Meeting of Bush River South Carolina, dated in the 6 & 7th Months 1796, & from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held in Pasquotank County, North Carolina last 11th Month, all expressive of their Unity with her Ministry, & her Concern to make a Religious Visit to Friends in Europe, and some parts of this Continent.—

Also

Also our beloved friend Lydia Hoskins, whose Company & Services in this Meeting have been acceptable, presented a Certificate of Unity with her Ministry & Concurrence in her Concern, from the Monthly Meeting of Burlington held the 5th of this Month, all which were Read to our satisfaction. —

Our friend Aaron Wills from Burlington Acceptably attended this Meeting, as Companion to our friend Nathan Allen Smith. —

The Committee appointed to consider the proposal from Sandwich Monthly Meeting, make the following Report:—Viz:—

"Agreeable to appointment we have Consider'd of the Matter "proposed by Sandwich Monthly Meeting relative to the building "of a Shed there; and it is our judgment; that it will not be of "sufficient use to the Quarterly Meeting for them to build it." —

"Sign'd on behalf of the Committee by — Smith Brown
Peleg Mitchell
10th of 6 mo: 1797. —

which is Accepted. —

The Business of this Meeting being clos'd, we Conclude. —
Signed in behalf of the Meeting. —

Saml. Rodman; Clerk
for this time

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich the 6th of 10 mo 1797. —

Accounts were received from the Several monthly Meeting hereunto belonging the representitives therein Named are, —

For Sandwich Joseph Wing Junr.
Ebenezer Wing Stephen Wing
& Prince Gifford Junr.
Pembrook, Joseph Rogers & Wm. Howland
Nantucket. Peleg Mitchel Charles Bunker
& Obed Macy —

Dartmouth, William Gifford Luthan Wood
& James Tucker

Acoaxet David Russell Isaac Peckham
& Jeremiah Austin Junr

NewBedford Cornelius Howland Pelig Howland
& Obadiah Davis

Nantucket Obed Mitchel Silvanus Coleman
1st District & David Mitchel —

who being called are all Present the time being expired for which the assistant Clerk was appointed Obadiah Davis is appointed assistant Clerk for the Day.

Answers were received from all the Monthly meetings to the 1. 2. & 12 Queries expressive of Several painful deficiences Yet remaining amongst us on which some Solid & weighty remarks were made which we hope may not easily be forgoten but may tend to awaken a renewed engagement in the minds of friends to those important Subjects, the Sumary of which answers are as follows

1st Our Meetings for religious worship & discipline are attended by a considerable part of friends while others appear very negligent therein particularly mid week Meetings & those for discipline, the hour pretty well Observed, sleeping at times appears in most of our meetings, in some of which other unbecoming behaviour appears respecting which Some care is taken

2nd Love & Unity in a good degree maintained amongst us, yet not so fully a queried after a great shortness appears in many, Tale bearing &c generally discouraged though not enough respecting which some care is taken, where differences have Arisen Care hath been taken to end them.~

12th Care is generally taken to deal with Offenders, though not always so seasonably as would be best, Judgment placed according to Decipline,~

The monthly Meeting of Nantucket propose their monthly Meeting in the Sixth month be held in the same course of Order with the Other Eleven monthly meetings which this meeting approves of, & the Clerk is directed to furnish them with a copy of this Minute.~ they likewise inform that they have directed their proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock paid to our Treasurer

Nantucket monthly Meeting for the Northern District inform that they have Ordered their proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock paid to our Treasurer,

Our beloved friend Nathan Allen Smith from the Monthly Meeting of Philadelphia for the Northern district having performed a religious Visit acceptably to Several parts of this Quarterly meeting we appoint Peter Pollard & Peleg Mitchell to prepair a certificate for our said friend to that Meeting & Present to our Next Quarterly Meeting

The business which come before this meeting being accomplished we conclude to meet again at the Usual time in the 12th mo at New Bedford if the Lord Permit —— Signed in & on behalf of Said meeting by Thos Hazard Junr Clerk

At our Quarterly meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 8th of 12th mo 1797

Accounts were received from the Several monthly Meetings hereto belonging the representitives therein named are

For Sandwich David Kelly Benjamin Wing
& Joseph Hoxie
Pembrook James Rogers & Benjn Easti
Nantucket Prince Gardner & Peter Pollard
Dartmouth Thomas Mott Luthan Wood
& Joseph Gifford Junr
Acoaxet Prince Wing Eber Davis
& John Mosher.
New Bedford Cornelius Howland
Obadiah Davis & Ezekiel Braley
Nantucket No district } Pelig Easton Libne
Gardner & James Barker

who being called are all present,

The time for which the clerk was appointed having expired Thomas Hazard Jun is appointed Clerk & Obadiah Davis assistant clerk for the year ensuing

The Queries were read with answers from all the monthly meetings to the 1st 2d & 12th from which the following Summary was drawn

It appears from the accounts from the several monthly Meetings, that our Meetings for worship & Deſsipline are duly attended by the greatest part of friends yet a Shortneſs appears in many in the attendance of Meetings especially midweek, & giving way to Sleepineſs, in which it appears some care is taken pretty clear of other indecencies, the hour generally observed

Our testimony appears to be pretty well maintained, with respect to love & Unity by a considerable Number of our members altho a more general attention in this important Concern appears to be wanting Detraction generally discouraged in the various branches of this Meeting & where Differences appear Endeavours are Used to end them.—

It appears that care is generally taken to Deal regularly with Offenders & to place Judgment according to Deſsipline.~

The friends appointed to prepare a certificate for our friend Nathan Allen Smith presented the following~

To the Monthly Meeting of Philadelphia for the Northern District

Dear Friends

Our beloved friend Nathan Allen Smith

attended our Quarterly meeting held at Nantucket in the Sixth month last with your certificate wherein his company and service were truly acceptable and it appears by information from the most of our monthly meetings that he has attended them, also several of the particular meetings hereto belonging, likewise the families of Nantucket monthly Meeting all to good sattisfaction, & we hope he has been favored to return to his family with the reward of peace, We remain your affectionate friends, bretheren & Sisters, Signed in and by direction of our Quarterly meeting held at New Bedford for Sandwich
the 8th of the 12th month 1797

Thos Hazard Jr Clerk
Charity Rotch Clerk

which being read & ~~signed~~ approved is Signed ~~by~~ by the clerk who is directed to forward the Same

Nantucket monthly meeting for the Northern District inform that they have concured with their womens meeting in the appointment of Lydia Mitchel to the Station of an Elder of which this meeting approves

Nantucket monthly meeting inform that they have had the company of our beloved friends Richard Jorden & Josiah White from North Carolina likewise of Thomas Comstock from Hudson & Isaac Lawton from Rhode Island whose religious servises amongst them had been truly acceptable, our beloved friend Richard Jorden with his companion Josiah White have attended most of the particular Meetings within this Quarter where their religious services & exemplary department has been very acceptable & edifying & the clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to the monthly meetings to which they belong

The Monthly Meetings of Sandwich Pembrook & Acoaxet inform that they have directed their proportions of the Yearly meeting stock paid to our Treasurer

The business which came before this meeting being accomplished we conclude to meet again at the Usual time in the third month at this place, signed on behalf of said meeting by

Thos Hazard Ju Clerk

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 23 Day of 3 mo. 1798, Accounts were received from the several Monthly meetings hereto belonging the representatives therein Named are. ——

From Sandwich, Prince Gifford Ebenezer
Wing & Joseph Wing ——
Pembrook James Rogers & Smith Brown
Nantucket Peleg Mitchell Peleg Coggeshall
William Macy & Abishai Bunker
Dartmouth William Anthony Humphrey
Ruſsell & Caleb Barker ——
Acoaxet David Ruſsell Adam Allen &
Job Baker. ——
New Bedford Joseph Austin Asa Smith
& Obadiah Davis ——
Nantucket No. District } Peleg Easton Paul Gardner Jun
& Laban Mitchell ——

who being Called are all Present except Smith Brown & Peleg Coggeshall for whose absence Satisfactory reasons are given.

The Queries were read with Answers from all the Monthly Meetings from which the following Samary is Drawn. ——

Answer 1st All our Meetings for religious worship & discipline are duly attended by the greatest Number of friends, who mostly observe the hour, though many are negligent

negligent particularly in the attendance of midweek Meetings, & Sleeping is Obvious in a few. mostly clear of Unbecoming behaviour Some care is taken.~

2nd We believe many friends are labouring to posses this love & Unity Queried after who discourage tale bearing Backbiting & evil reports. Yet fear Others are too insensible of the influence the possesion of it would have upon their minds, care is taken to end differences where they appear.~

3rd A number of friends are careful to bring up those under their Care in plainness & to restrain from pernicious Books & the corrupt conversation of the world.— & to be exemplary themselves. Yet others we believe are wanting in these essential duties. the Holy Scriptures are Audibly read in most friends families.—

4th Friends are generally careful in the Use of Spirituous liquors though not wholly restricted to medicine. Taverns & places of publick resort generally avoided, the other parts we know not but clear

5th Clear as far as appears except in a few instances in most of which care is taken.—

6th Most Parents discountenence company keeping without their consent while some of the Young & unmarried pay too little attention herein some instances of company keeping with those not of our society under notice, disorderly Marriges generally discountenanced. —

7th Clear —

8th Friends appear to be generally careful to inspect their affairs & settle their accounts some neglect in making wills, Publick gifts & Legacies duly applied. —

9th Clear as far as appears

10th In the performance of promises and payment of Just debts generally careful though we fear all do not circumscribe their Business at all times within the limits which truth would point out

11th Clear as to Marriages, Births & Deaths not all recorded, some instances of removal without Certificates, which are under notice. —

12th Care is measurably taken to deal regularly with all offenders & to place judgment where it appears necessary according to discipline

The Clerk informs that agreable to direction he has forwarded Nathan Allen Smiths Certificate & likewise extracts of the minutes of last quarterly meeting respecting our beloved friend Richard Jorden & his Companion

Companion Josiah White. —

Nantucket monthly meeting for the northern district in their Account inform that they have received information from their members residing in Dartmouth Novascotia, that three persons namely Alexander Thane Benjamin Greene & William Grovesner have requested to be received into membership with Us, which claimeing our weighty attention is refered for the consideration of our next meeting

The Monthly meetings of Nantucket & Dartmouth in their Accounts inform that they have Ordered their proportions of the Yearly meeting Stock paid to our Treasurer & the Representitives of New Bedford monthly Meeting inform that they have directed their proportion of the Yearly meeting Stock paid to our Treasurer. —

Our beloved friend Elisha Thornton has attended this meeting with a Certificate from Smithfield monthly Meeting Dated 2nd month 22. 1798. in which his Gospel labours has been to our edification & comfort. & Nantucket monthly meeting in their acct inform that he has attended their Meeting acceptably —

Prince Wing William Anthony John Baily Peter Pollard Jethro Mitchell & Paul Wing are appointed representitives to the Yearly meeting. —

The Treasurer is directed to pay our proportion of the Yearly Meeting stock to the Yearly Meetings Treasurer —

An account was prepared for the Yearly meeting which was read approved & signed by the Clerk & is as follows. —

From our Quarterly meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 23 of 3 mo 1798

To the Yearly meeting next to be held on Rhode Island. —

Dear Friends

We have received Your acceptable Epistle of last Year together with transcripts of the Epistles from the Yearly Meetings of London Philadelphia & New York which were all read to our Satisfaction, & likewise extracts from Your minutes which have claimed clamed our Serious attention. Accounts from Several of our Monthly Meetings, mention the increase of Schools amongst them. — The Queries were read with Answers from the Several monthly meetings a Sumary of which we herewith send by our Representitives who are Prince Wing William Anthony John Bailey Peter Pallard Jethro Mitchel & Paul Wing. We have directed our proportion of the Yearly meeting stock paid to your Treasurer

We have concured with Nantuckett monthly meeting for the Northern District in the appointment of Lydia Mitchell to the Station of an Elder

Signed in & on behalf of said meeting
by Thos Hazard Jr Clerk

The business which came before this meeting being accomplished we Conclude to meet again at Nantucket at the Usual Time Thos Hazard Jun Clerk

At our Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Nantucket for Sandwich the 26 of 6mo 1798 Accounts were received from the several monthly meetings hereto belonging the representatives therein named are

For Sandwich,	Joseph Wing Daniel Bowerman & Joseph Hoxie
Pembrook	John Baily & Smith Brown
Nantucket	Charles Bunker Abishai Bunker & Silvanus Macy
Dartmouth	Zephaniah Buffington Joseph Tucker & James Tucker
Acoaxet	Jeremiah Austin & Abner Potter
New Bedford	Joseph Austin Asa Smith & Edward Wing—
Nantucket No District	Jethro Mitchell David Huſsey & Jonathan Swain Jun

Who being called are all present except Joseph Hoxie for whose absence a satisfactory reason is given

The queries were read with answers to the 1st 2nd & 12th from all the monthly meetings from which it appears that many painful deficiences are yet remaining amongst us, on which many lively & instructive remarks were made which we hope may claim the attention of Friends, & awaken in us more deligence & exertions in the faithful discharge of our several duties, & this meeting being at this time feelingly impressed with the necessity of the monthly meetings & individuals attending specially thereto do appoint, William Rotch Junr. Jethro Mitchell Peter Pollard Joseph Wing Zepheniah Buffington Cornelius Howland Benjamin Worth Jeremiah Austin Junr. Laban Mitchell Thomas Rotch Caleb Greene & Shubael Coffin, to visit the several monthly & Preparitive meetings & endeavour to lay before them & impress on their mind the great necessity there is of more deligence & faithful attention to our christian duties, & where it may appear necessary to encourage monthly meeting to appoint committees to unite with them in visiting their members in their families as may appear best endeavouring after holy help to stir up the pure mind in each other to greater circumspection & care that so the several causes that have at this time occasioned pain to the body may be removed

This meeting adjourns to half past four oclock this afternoon —

Afternoon met by adjournment—

The matter refered from last Quarter respecting the three Persons residing at novascotia requesting to become members of our Soiety coming weightely before us at this time we refer the same to our next meeting & appoint Abishai Bunker William Brown

& Samuel Rodman to aſsist Nantucket monthly meeting for the Nathern District in obtaining such Knowledge on the Subject as may be neceſsary & also the particular state of Friends who compose that meeting. ___

The matter brought up in the account from Nantucket monthly meeting respecting the mode of transfering the right of members in caſes of removal & marriage from one meeting to the other on Nantucket, claiming our attention we appoint Jeremiah Austin Samuel Rodman John Bailey Jeremiah Austin Jun Joseph Tucker William Rotch Junr. William Brown & Jethro Mitchell to consider the same & confer with the two monthly meetings & give them such aſsistance & advice as they may find neceſsary agreable to decipline

This meeting adjourns to the 8th hour to morrow Morning

27th Mett according to adjournment—

Extracts were received from the Yearly meeting by which it appears that Two hundred & Forty Dollars are our proportion of that meetings stock for the present Year which is apportioned to the several monthly meetings as follows

Sandwich	24 Dollars	Acoaxet	$19\frac{20}{100}$ Dall
Pembrook	$7\frac{20}{100}$ Do	New Bedford	$51\frac{60}{100}$ Do
Nantucket	54 Do	Nantucket No District	42
Dartmouth	42 Do.		

which sums they are requested to pay to our Treasurer, it is likewise recommended to the several monthly meetings that they Subscribe in freedom for the aſsistance of Falmouth Quarterly meeting in building Several New meeting Houses agreable to the recommendation of the Yearly Meeting & forward their Subscriptions to the Treasur of this meeting who is directed to remit the Same to the Treasurer of Falmouth Quarterly Meeting & report the Same to this meeting —

The audit report that they have settled with the Treasurer of this meeting & find a balance due to him of Forty three Dollars & twenty one Cents whereupon this meeting concludes to raise the Sum of One hundred & Sixty Dollars of which the Several monthly meetings are requested to Send the following proportions to the Treasurer of this meeting -(viz)

Sandwich	16 Doll	Acooxet	$12\frac{80}{100}$
Pembrook	$4\frac{80}{100}$	New Bedford	$34\frac{40}{100}$
Nantucket	36	Nantucket no District	28
Dartmouth	28		

The time for which the Treasurer of this Meeting was appointed haveing expired Thos Rotch is again appointed Treasurer for the Year ensuing or untill another appointment

Asa Smith James Tucker William Macy & Joseph Austin are appointed Audit for the year ensuing or untill another appointment

We are informed that the representatives to the yearly meeting all attended

Our beloved friend Elisha Thornton having attended our last Quarterly meeting & also made a religious Visit to most of the meetings within our Quarter, his Company & Gospel labours were to edification & comfort & the Clerk is desired to forward a copy of this minute to Smithfield monthly meeting

We have at this time had the acceptable company of our beloved friend John Parish of Philadelphia William Jackson of New=Garden Pennsylvania & Silas Downing of Long Island whose Certificates of Concurrence have been read and their Religious Services in this & Several other meetings they have attended within our Quarter have been to our Encouragement and Satisfaction & the Clerk is desired to furnish our friend John Parish & William Jackson with copies of this minute as it respects them ——

Our beloved friend Mary Prior from Hartford in England having attended this meeting and several meetings hereto belonging & produced her Certificates her company & Gospel Labours among us have been to our comfort & edification & feeling near Unity and Sympathy with her in her present religious engagements accompanied with desires for her preservation in the line of Divine appointment, the clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute also our beloved friend Elizabeth Foulk from Philadelphia companion to our beloved friend Mary Prior Mehitable Jenkins from Berwick & her companion Sarah Cortland all producing Certificates of Concurrence, having attended this meeting & several others in our Quarter their company has been acceptable and their religious services to our comfort & encouragement & the clerk is desired to furnish our friend Elizabeth Foulk with a copy of this minute as it respects her

William Rotch Junr. & Thos Hazard Jun are appointed to prepair Certificates on behalf of our friend Silas Downing Mehitable Jenkins & Companion & bring to our Next Quarterly Meeting

The business which came before this Meeting being accomplished we conclude to meet again in the Tenth month at Sandwich Signed in & onbehalf of Said meeting by

Thos Hazard Jun Clerk

At our Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Sandwich the 5th of 10 mo 1798 ~

Accounts were received from all the monthly meetings hereunto belonging the representitives therein Named are

For Sandwich, Ebenezer Wing David Kelly & Benjamin Gifford —
Pembrook Stephen Rogers & Zacheus Estes
Nantucket Obed Macy Prince Gardner William Macy & Abishai Bunker
Dartmouth Thomas Mott William Gifford & James Tucker —
Acooxet Isaac Peckham Eber Davis & Charles Baker —
New Bedford Joseph Austin William Wing & Obadiah Davis —
Nantucket N° District } Paul Gardner Junr & Libni Gardner
who being called are all Present

The Queries were read with answers to the Usual three from all the monthly meetings expressive of several effecting deficiences yet remaining in various parts of our Quarter on which some weighty remarks were made which we hope may

may exite to greater exertion in friends, for the removal of the painful & alarming cause of these complaints

The matter refered from last Quarter under the Care of a committee respecting the three persons at Novascotia requesting to be received members of our society, being layed before this meeting by Nantucket monthly meeting for the nothern district we recommend to that meeting to act respecting them as truth may open the way. The consideration of the state of Friends in general there is refered to our Quarterly meeting in the third month next —

The committee appointed to prepair certificates for our friends Silas Downing Mehitable Jenkins & her Companion Sarah Cartland presented them which being approved were signed by the Clerk who is directed to forward the same to their respective monthly meetings & report to our Next meeting. —

The Clerk informed this meeting that he has forwarded the several minutes as directed by last Quarter except that respecting John Parish which he is requested to forward & report to next meeting. —

The committee appointed to confer with the two monthly meetings on Nantucket, report that they have attended to the Same, & that a mode of transfering the right of Members there was agreed upon to the Satisfaction of both meetings. —

Sandwich & Acoaxet monthly meetings in their accounts inform that they have directed their proportions of the Yearly & Quarterly meeting Stock paid to our Treasurer, & Dartmouth monthly meeting in their Account inform that they have directed their proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock paid to our Treasurer

Our beloved friend Daniel Haviland having attended one monthly meeting & all the particular meetings within this Quarter his religious Servises & Gospel labours therein were to edification & encouragement & likewise his companion Tripp Mosher whose exemplary conduct has been to our Satisfaction, & the clerk is requested to forward a copy of this minute to the monthly meetings to which they belong as it respects them & report to our next meeting.

The following transcripts of Epistles were received from the Yearly Meeting of London dated 5th month 1797 & from the Yearly meeting of NewYork dated 5th month 1798 which were read to our Edification & comfort & the Clerk is requested to send copys of the Epistle from London to the Several monthly meetings

To the Yearly Meeting of Friends in New Englan

Dear Friends

The Epistle from your last Yearly meeting has been read in this, to our satisfaction especially in observing that a care subsists amongst you for the preservation of good order & the restoration of those who are deficient in a faithful support of our religious Testamonies. Be encouraged Dear Friends to persevere in the discharge of the duties connected with this care; be frequent in your admonitions to the unfaithful, watch over one another for good & be not afraid of speaking the Truth in Love to your Neighbours & to your Friends: thus may the weak & unfaithful be often brought to the sense & practice of their duty, but if these means should prove ineffectual, and it become neceſsary to place such as persevere in unfaithfulneſs without the camp. you will then have the satisfaction to reflect that you have discharged your duty uprightly towards them, & that the consequences of their unfaithfulneſs will not be laid to your charge, And we earnestly desire that all those who are active in the exercise of the discipline may experience and abide under those purifying Baptisms which alone can qualify for Service in the Church of Christ, for thus cleanneſs of hands being united with livelineſs of Spirit the Discipline will be supported in such a manner as will not fail to promote the ~~Establish~~ Edification of the Body & the Exaltation of the name of him who is the head & High Priest of our Profession.——

Amidst the various Commotions which frequently agitate the minds of men (and which have of late been peculiarly prevalent in this quarter of the Globe) how desirable it is that we should manifest ourselves the followers of Him whose Kingdom is not of this World, & whilst we conduct ourselves as good Subjects of the different governments under which we dwell, stand clear of all those Parties which keep the mind out of that State of true Quiet, which it is equally our duty and our Interest to seek for,— Let us therefore Dear Friends endeavour to have our whole demeanour regulated by that precious Principle which we profess, whereby we shall stand as Lights in the world, & as a City set on an Hill which cannot be hid—— We salute you in the Love and fellowship of the Gospel and remain your Affectionate Friends—— Signed in and behalf of our Yearly Meeting held in London by adjournments from the 22nd of the 5th mo 1797 to the 31st of the same inclusive by

Joseph Gibbons Clerk
to the meeting this year

P.S. Our beloved Friends Sarah Harrison Phebe Speakman David Sands Thomas Scattergood & William Savery from your continent are acceptably amongst us

To the next Yearly Meeting of friends to be held on Rhode Island for New England

Dear Friends

It is cause of thankfulneſs to the Author of all good, that we are again permitted to meet together in this our Annual Aſsembly, wherein we have been measuarably favoured to feel the baptizing influence of that power amongst us, which breaths peace on Earth & good will to men & desires are witneſsed that all profeſsing with us may more & more endeavour to live under this holy influence, which as it leavens the mind, into Divine & Universal Love circumscribes yea roots out every disposition that would attach itself to party heats & animosities which at this time so sorrowfully prevails amongst mankind —— The Language Antiently Uttered concerning the highly favoured People Israel "they shall dwell alone & shall not be reccond among the Nations" appears peculiarly applicably to us at this Day, who are profeſsing to be followers of the Prince of Peace ——— Your Acceptable Epistle of last year was received & read amongst us, we notice the concern that had spread amongst you, for the help & aſsistance of the poor Indian Natives situate in your Borders. we have had at this time afresh to believe, that the Lord has & will bleſs the endeavours of friends to promote the good of this People, if we on our part are concerned to seek after his pure wisdom, and direction in all our movements therein —— The religious & guarded Education of the rising generation continues to be a Subject that has weightily engaged the attention of friends at this time & we are encouraged to hope the Establishment of a Boarding school in the Compaſs of this Yearly Meeting, as mentioned last year, will continue to prove its Utility —— Our meeting has at this time been large & we have through the continued goodneſs of him who is still careing for his Church & People been measurably favoured with the influence of that Life, which only can qualify to transact the affairs of the Church, to the honour of his Name, & the advancement of his cause whereby we have been enabled to result the weighty concerns that have come before us, in a good degree of Brotherly Love & condesention under a thankful sense whereof we affectionately salute you & are your friends & Bretheren —— Signed on behalf & by direction of our Yearly Meeting held in NewYork for NewYork & Parts adjacent by adjournments from the 28 of the 5 month 1798 to the 1st of 6th month Inclusive —— By Richard Mott

Clerk to the meeting this Year

Sumary of the answers, — All our meetings for worship & Discipline are pretty well attended by the greatest part of friends & the hour generally Observed except our midweek meetings & two of our first Day afternoon meetings & some of those for Discipline which are neglected by many Sleeping given way to by some at times & not wholly clear of other unbecoming behav=iour, on which accounts care is generally taken but not so fully as would be best Love & Unity is in a good degree maintained amongst us, although in some parts it appears to be much wanting talebearing &c generally discouraged where differences appear endeavours are Used to end them

Care is generally taken to deal with offenders in the manner queried after though we fear not always so seasonably as would be best Judgment is placed where it appears neceſsary according to Discipline

From our Quarterly Meeting of friends
held at Sandwich the 5th of 10th mo 1798

To the monthly Meeting at Westbury

Dear Friends

Our beloved friend Silas Downing having attended our last Quarterly meeting most of the monthly & all the particular meetings hereto belonging. His religious services Gospel Labours & exemplary deportment have been to edification & comfort, — With desires for his preservation under Divine guidance & that the reward of peace may be vouchsafed to him we are your affectionate bretheren & sisters — Signed in & on behalf of our said meeting by Tho Hazard Jr Clerk

Charity Rotch Clerk

From our Quarterly meeting held at Sandwich the 5th of 10 mo 1798

To the Monthly Meeting at Berwick

Dear Friends

Our ancient & beloved friend Mehitable Jenkins haveing attended our last Quarterly Meeting with most of our Monthly & most of our particular meetings and also visited several friends in their families

Her exemplary deportment and Gospel Labours have been to edification and encouragement, — With desires that when her present services may be accomplished she may be favoured to return to her family & friends with a peaceful reward, we are your affectionate friends Bretheren and Sisters — Signed in & onbehalf of our said Meeting by Tho Hazard Jr Clerk

Charity Rotch Clerk

Our friend Sarah Cortland having accompanied our friend Mehitable Jenkins on her religious visit through this Quarterly meeting her company hath been acceptable & her deportment exemplary — Signed in & on behalf of our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich the 5 of 10 mo 1798

by Tho Hazard Jur Clerk
Charity Rotch Clerk

To the monthly Meeting at Dover —

The business which came before this meeting being accomplished we conclude to meet again in the 12th mo a New Bedford signed in & on behalf of said meeting by

Thos Hazard Jur Clerk

At our Quarterly meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 14th of 12 mo 1798 Accounts were received from all the Monthly Meetings except Nantucket. The representitives therein named are, —

From Sandwich Daniel Purington Joseph Wing & Joseph Wing Junr
Pembrook - - John Bailey & Stephen Roggers
Dartmouth. William Anthony Richard Davis & Joseph Gifford Junr
Acoaxet. Thomas Brownell John Mosher & Addam Allen —

New Bedford Mathew Hawland Abraham Smith
& John Shearman

Nantucket }
Nº District } James Barker David Hussey
& Zenus Gardner

who being called are all present except James Barker David Hussey & Zenus Gardner

The time for which the Clerk & assistant Clerk of this meeting were appointed having expired Thomas Hazard Jr is appointed Clerk & Obadiah Davis assistant Clerk for the Year ensuing

The Queries were read with Answers to the usual three from all the monthly meetings except Nantucket, by which it appears that our Meetings are kept up and Generally attended by the most of Friends, the hour mostly observed: although Sleeping in meetings is apparent, yet there appears to be care taken in most instances, it appears that Love & Unity is generally maintained and detraction in some degree discouraged, Care is taken to end differences, and generally to deal with offenders and to place Judgment according to Discipline, ~ New Bedford monthly meeting in their account inform that they have appointed Obadiah Davis to the station of an Elder with which after weighty consideration this Meeting with the concurrence of the womens meeting approves they likewise inform of their Unity with the Public appearance of Lydia Rotch in the line of the Ministry which after deliberate and weighty consideration has had our Sympathy & with the concurrence of the womens meeting we Unite therewith & Jeremiah

Austin is appointed to inform the Select Quarterly Meeting thereof.

The Clerk informs that he has forwarded the several Certificates & copys of Minutes as directed by last Quarterly Meeting

The monthly meetings of Pembrook New Bedford & Nantucket Nothern District in their accounts inform that they have ordered their proportions of the Yearly & Quarterly Meetings Stock paid to our Treasurer,

Our beloved friend Roger Haviland having attended one monthly meeting & many of the particular meetings within this Quarter where his religious Services & Gospel labours have been to our edification & encouragement, likewise his companion Isaac Osborn whose conduct has been exemplary & to our satisfaction, & the clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to the Monthly meetings to which they belong as it respects them & report to our Next Meeting

The business which came before this meeting being accomplished we conclude to meet again at the usual time in the third month at this Place Signed in & onbehalf of said Meeting

by Thos Hazard Jun Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 29th of 3 month 1799 Accounts were received from the several Monthly meetings hereunto belonging the represen=tatives therein named are

From Sandwich. David Kelley Daniel Purington & Daniell Boreman
Pembrook Mordica Ellis Zacheus Eastis
Nantucket Sylvanus Macy William Macy Jared Gardner & Prince Gardner
Dartmouth George Smith William Gifford & James Tucker.
Acoaxet Joshua Devol Nathaniel Maccumber & Jeremiah Austin Jun
New Bedford Mathew Howland Asa Smith Ezekiel Braley & John R Davis
Nantucket Nº District } Sylvanus Macy 2nd David Hussey & Peter Barney—

who being called were all present except Prince Gardner & Mordica Ellis for whose absence satisfactory reasons were given—

The Queries were read with Answers from all the monthly meetings from which general answers were compiled & directed to the Yearly meeting & are as follows

Answer 1st Our meetings for Religious worship & Decipline are generally attended by Most Friends & the hour pretty well Observed al=though a Slackness appears in some in a due attention of midweek meetings mostly clear of unbecoming behaviour except Sleeping which appears in a few at times some care taken in the above defsciences —

2nd Love & Unity is in a good degree maintained Tale bearing Backbiting & evil reports are some what discouraged though not so much in all places as would be best, where differences have Arisen care has been taken to end them —

3rd There is some Care taken by friends to bring up those under their direction in plainness to restrain them from Reading pernicious Books & the corrupt conversation of the world Yet all are not so exemplary at all times as becomes our profession, the Holy Scriptures are read Audably in friends families, though not so frequently as would be best. —

4th We beleave friends are generally careful to avoid the unnecessary Use of Speritious Liquors frequenting of Taverns & places of public resort, where the contrary appears care is extended moderation & temperence generally Observed —

5th Clear as far as appears except the children in one monthly meeting not so freely partaking of Learning as would be best, three or four children placed out under Notice —

6th A care rests on the minds of most friends to discountenance company keeping making or admiting of proposals on account of Marriage without due consent, yet there are several instances of accompanying on account of marriage with those not of our Society which are under Notice

7th We know not but clear in each part except in one instance respecting war lately come to the knowledge of friends —

8th We believe more care in timely inspecting our affairs settling accompts & making wills while in health is neceſsary, we think friends are not all so careful to take advice in the settlement of their estates as would be best public gifts & Legacies generally duly applied

9th Clear as far as appears

10th We believe generally careful with respect to Promises & payment of Debts, though we fear all do not at all times circumscribe their busineſs within the limits which the truth if closely adhered to, would point out

11th Our records are generally attended to though some deficiences appears respecting births & Deaths, a few instances of removal without Certificates which are under notice

12th Care is taken to deal with offenders some what agreable to that Query & to place Judgment on the obstinate according to Decipline although we think those important Services have not always been performed in the best time & Manner

The Clerk informs that he has forwarded the minutes respecting Roger Haviland & his companion Isaac Osborn to the monthly Meetings to which they belong agreable to the direction of our last Quarterly meeting,

The following monthly meetings in their accounts inform that they have paid to our Treasurer, these several sums of money for the use of Falmouth Quarterly Meeting agreable to the recommendation of the Yearly Meeting, Sandwich $18·75 Cents Dartmouth $12·16 Cents Acoaxet $3·50 Cents New Bedford $166 Nantucket Mo District $142·5 Cents, likewise the representitives from Nantucket monthly meeting inform that they have raised & paid to our Treasurer $42·50 Cents for the same purpose making in the whole $384·96 Cents

The treasurer of this meeting is directed to pay our proportion of the Yearly meeting stock to the Yearly meetings treasurer —

John Mosher Zepheniah Buffington David Kelley James Tucker James Barker & Adam Allen are appointed to attend our next Yearly Meeting as representatives the following account was prepared for our next yearly meeting which was read approved & signed by the Clerk

From Our Quarterly meeting held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 29th of 3rd mo 1799

To Our next Yearly meeting to be held on Rhode Island Dear Friends, We received the extracts & transcripts of Epistles of last year which were duly read & attended to, we have directed our proportion of the yearly Meeting Stock paid to your treasurer & have raised the Sum of $ 384·96 Cents for the Use of Falmouth Quarterly meeting & directed it to be remited to the treasurer of that meeting, the Queries were read in this meeting & answers thereunto prepaired which we herewith forward by our representitives who are John Mosher Zepheniah Buffington David Kelley James Tucker James Barker & Adam Allen, we have approved the appointment of Obadiah Davis to the station of an Elder & of the public appearance of Lydia Rotch in the line of the Ministry Signed in & on behalf of the meeting aforesaid by Thomas Hazard Jr Clerk

The busineſs which came before this Meeting being accomplished we conclude to meet again at the Usual time at Nantucket Signed in & by direction of said meeting by

Thos Hazard Jr Clerk

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held on Nantucket for Sandwich the 2nd day of 7th mo 1799

By accounts from the several monthly Meetings it appears that the representatives are from Sandwich Abiel Swift Joseph Hoxie & Prince Gifford Junr —

Pembroke John Bailey & Joseph Estes
Nantucket Prince Gardner Mathew Barney Peter Pollard & Peleg Macy
Dartmouth Luthan Wood Wm Anthony & Zepheniah Buffington
Acoaxet Noah Gifford Jeremiah Austin Jur & Prince Wing —
New Bedford Thomas Rotch Samuel Rodman & Caleb Greene
Nantucket for the Nothern District } Libni Gardner & Jethro Mitchel all Present except Samuel Rodman, whose reasons for absence are acceptable

The Clerks being absent Wm Rotch Jun is appointed Clerk & Peter Pollard assistant clerk for this time

This Meeting adjourns to the third hour this afternoon,

Afternoon met by adjournment—

The Epistles from the Yearly Meetings of London Philadelphia & New York to our Yearly Meeting were read to our comfort & edification & the clerk is directed to forward transcripts thereof to each Monthly Meeting

The Queries were read with answers from each monthly Meeting by which it appears, that our meetings for worship & discipline are attended by the greater part of our members midweek meetings neglected by many Sleepiness apparent at times, & not wholly clear of other unbecoming behaviour, that Love & Unity Preserved amongst a remnant in each meeting who endeavour to discourage detraction & to compose differences & that care is generally taken to deal regularly with offenders & to place Judgment where it appears necessary, & under deliberate consideration of the state of society many minds were feelingly impressed with a necessity of more closely inspecting our own hearts & individually enquiring how far we are the cause of any of the prevailing deficiences which have at this time afflictingly been reported

The committee appointed in the 6th month last year made the following report

Pursuant to the appointment of the Quarterly Meeting in the 6th month last year a considerable part of the Committee have visited all the preparative & Monthly Meetings within our Quarter & as way has opened many of the families of friends in each monthly meeting wherein as ability has been afforded we have endeavoured to discharge our duty in the service allotted us in the appointment & altho at times our labours were accompanied with much diffidence & fear, yet they proved in general to our own Satisfaction & we trust to pretty good acceptance

Nantucket 7 mo 1799 in behalf of the committee

Joseph Wing

Dorcas Brown

which is acceptable to this meeting

The Consideration of the State of the few friends members of Nantucket Monthly meeting for the Nothern District residing in Nova Scotia having been refered to our last Quarterly Meeting & now being revived and the situation of the Small meeting & the friends there having closely exercised our minds at this time, we appoint Peter Barney Thomas Rotch Cornelius Howland & Abishai Bunker, to visit the members of our Meeting residing there if way should open and endeavour in the ability that truth may afford to find how far it may be safe to continue the indulgences heretofore granted them, & report to a future Quarterly meeting

Having had the company of our beloved friends Gervis Johnson from Ireland, Joseph Whiteall from New Jersey Jonathan Evans from Philadelphia & Richard Mott & Abraham Underhill from the State of New York as also our beloved friends Rebecca Jones Jane Snowden & Sarah Cresson from Philadelphia, & Ruth Anna Rutter from Potts Grove their company & services has been very acceptable to us

The Yearly Meeting having requested us to send two hundred Dollars towards the Stock to their Treasurer the Monthly Meetings are requested to send to our treasurer the following proportions (viz) Sandwich $20 Pembroke $6 Nantucket $40 Dartmouth $33 Acoaxet $16 New Bedford $45 Nantucket for the Nothern District $40

The Representatives to the Yearly meeting inform they all attended

The business being accomplished we conclude to meet again in the 10th month at Sandwich

Wm Rotch Junr Clerk
for this time —

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich the 4th of 10 mo 1799. Accounts were received from the several monthly meetings, the representitives therein named are, for

Sandwich Prince Gifford Joseph Hoxie & Adam Wing
Pembroke Mordeca Ellis & Benjamin Easter
Nantucket Peleg Mitchell Elisha Macy &
Peleg Macy —
Darthmouth John Tucker William Anthony
& Luthan Wood —
Acoaxet Samuel Slade Isaac Peckham
& Charles Baker —
New Bedford Joseph Austin Stephen Hathaway
Nantucket for the Nathern District } Peleg Easton Obed Mitchell & Libni Gardner —

Who being called are all Present

Our beloved friend Abiel Gifford attended this meeting with a certificate from Eastown monthly Meeting held 18th of 7 mo 1799 with a concurring certificate from Eastown Quarterly meeting whose company & services has been acceptable to us & the clerk is directed to give him a copy of this minute —

The queries were read with answers to the Usual three from all the monthly meetings from which the following appears to be the State of Society on which several weighty & Useful remarks were made —

Answer 1st Our Meetings for worship & Discipline have been duly attended by the greater part of our members who generally observe the hour, a Slackness appears in some in the attendance of midweek meetings & those for Discipline, Sleeping appears in some at times with some unbecoming behaviour amongst the youth, Some care appears to be taken in the above Deficiences

2nd There are a considerable number who appear concerned to live in Love & Unity while others appear indiferent herein talebearing backbiting & evil reports too much given way to though often discouraged endeavours are used to end differences.—

12th Care is in a good degree taken to Deal regularly with offenders & Judgment placed where it appears neceſsary according to Diſcipline.—

Pembroke monthly meeting in their account inform of the appointment of Lydia Brown to the Station of an Elder, which claiming our weighty consideration & Sympathy we Unite with the Womens meeting therein

The Committee appointed to Visit the members of this meeting residing in Novascotia made the following report

To the Quarterly Meeting to be held at Sandwich in the Tenth Month next—

We the committee appointed by the Quarterly Meeting in the 7th mo last to visit the Friends residing in Novascotia belonging to Nantucket Monthly Meeting for the Nothern district having accomplished that service in the ability received. and from the weak State in which they appeared to us to be, & their having for some time neglected the holding their week day Meeting it is our Judgment that the indulgences heretofore granted them be discontinued, which we submit to the Quarterly Meeting Abisha Bunker

Peter Barney
Cornelius Howland
Thos. Rotch—

which being accepted Nantucket monthly meeting for the Nothern District is advised to discontinue the said meetings in Novascotia & the indulgences heretofore granted them, but to continue their christian care over them, & the clerk is directed to forword a copy of this minute to that monthly Meeting

The monthly meetings of Acoaxet & New Bedford in their accounts inform that they have directed their proportions of the Yearly meetings stock paid to our Treasurer—

Our beloved friends Joseph Whiteall Chalkley Albertson & his companion Zachariah Nickson Richard Mott & his companion Abraham J Underhill, having finished their Visits to all the Meetings within this Quarter & Rebecca Jones & Jane Snowden Garet Burtes & John Cristy having Visited Several meetings within this Quarter in which their company & religious Services were to our comfort & edification & the womens meeting concuring herein the Clerks are directed to forword a Copy of this minute to the respective monthly meetings to which they belong, as it respects them

The busineſs which came before this meeting being accomplished we conclude, to meet again at New Bedford in the 12th mo next, Signed in & onbehalf of Said Meeting by

Thos Hazard Jun Clerk

At a Quarterly meeting held a New Bedford for Sandwich the 13th of 12th month 1799

Accompts were received from all the monthly meetings except from the monthly meeting of Nantucket for the nothern District, the representitives therein named are from Sandwich, Seth Kelley John Wing 3rd Joseph Wing & Prince Gifford Jun
Pembroke John Baily & Joseph Eastis
Nantucket Abishai Paddock Jonathan Gardner & Obed Macy —
Dartmouth James Tucker Benjamin Smith & Benjamin Taber Junr
Acoaxet Eber Davis David Ruſsell & Joseph Willber
New Bedford Mathew Howland William Wing & Cornelius Howland

who being called are all present

The Queries were read with answers to the Usual three from all the monthly meeting, except Nantucket for the nothern district from which the following State of Society was compiled

1st. The meetings appear in the general to be attended by the greatest part of our members, some slackness in attending mid=week meetings the hour also generally observed some who give way to Sleep in most meetings some care appears to be taken

2nd. Love & Unity appears to be maintained in general though not so fully as queried after. also tale bearing &c discouraged & endeavours used to end differences —

12th Care appears generally to be taken to deal with Offenders & Judgment placed when it appears necessary according to discipline

The Clerk informs that he has forwarded the minutes respecting the friend who have been on religious Visits within this Quarter agreable to the direction of last meeting except that respecting Abial Gifford which the clerk is still directed to do

The monthly meetings of Sandwich & Dartmouth in their accounts inform that they have forwarded to our treasurer their proportions of the Yearly meeting Stock. —

The audit having reported the sum of Two hundred Dallars necessary for this meetings stock which sum this meeting concludes to raise of which Sandwich monthly meeting is requested to forward to our Treasurer Twenty Dollars Pembroke Six Dollars Nantucket forty Dollars Dartmouth thirty three Dollars Acoaxet Sixteen Dollars New Bedford forty five Dollars & Nantucket for the Nothern district forty Dollars & the Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to the several monthly meetings ——

The time for which the treasurer of this meeting was appointed having expired Thomas Rotch is appointed Treasurer for the Year ensuing

The time for which the clerk & assistant clerk of this meeting were appointed having expired Thomas Hazard Jr is appointed clerk & Obadiah Davis assistant Clerk for the Year ensuing, the appointment of the Audit having likewise expired Asa Smith & Peleg Howland are appointed audit for the Year ensuing

The business which came before this meeting being accomplished we conclude to meet again in the 3rd mo next at this place Signed onbehalf of said meeting by

Thos Hazard Jr Clerk

At Sandwich Quarterly meeting held at New Bedford the 28 of 3 mo 1800

Received Accounts from the Several Monthly meetings hereto belonging by which it appears that their representatives are for Sandwich Abiel Swift Joseph Hoxie & Daniel Purrington, Pembroke James Rogers & Smith Brown Nantucket Prince Gardner Sylvanus Macy 2d & Mathew Barney Dartmouth Zephaniah Eddy James Tucker & Luthan Wood. Acoaxet Isaac Peckham Ebenezer Baker & David Ruſsell New Bedford Thomas Rotch Ezekiel Braley & Abraham Smith Nantucket Nothern District David Joy Obed Mitchel & Solomon Macy, who being called are all present except Abiel Swift for whose absence a satisfactory reason was offered

Our beloved Friends Remington Hobby & John Winslow attended this meeting the former of which produced a Copy of a minute of concurrence from the monthly Meeting of ~~fro~~ Vaſselborough ~~monthly Meeting~~, he hath attended most of the meetings within this Quarter & the latter produced a copy of a like minute from Falmouth monthly Meeting & he hath attended several of the Meetings within this Quarter their religious services have been to our encouragement & edification & the clerk is directed to forward a Copy of this minute to the respective monthly Meetings to which they belong as far as it respects them

The Queries have been read with answers from the several meetings from which Answers were compiled for our next yearly meeting & several Solid & Judicious remarks were made upon the many deficiences still apparent which we desire may have suitable impressions on the minds of friends, which compelation are as follows

Answer 1. All our meetings for worship & discipline are duly attended by a considerable number & the hour is generally observed although some are negligent herein some sleeping appears at times in most of our meetings pretty clear of other unbecoming behavior, some labor has been bestowed to rouse the neglegent.—

2nd " There appears to be a considerable number of friends concerned for the maintenance of Love & Unity, yet there are others who fall short therein talebearing backbiting &c appears to be in a good degree discouraged & where differences have arisen endeavours are used to end them

3rd " We believe there are a considerable number concerned to bring up those under their direction as queried and are in a good derce exemplary themselves although there are too many amongst us that fall far short in this important duty, the holy Scriptures we apprehend are read by most friends Audibly in their families

4th " The unnecessary use of Spirituous liquors we believe generally avoided where it is Otherwise some care has been taken as to frequenting of Taverns we do not know but clear, places of public resort too much frequented by some, generally clear as to the remaining part of this Query

5th " The circumstances of the poor appear to be generally attended to & their necessities relieved some deficiency in One Meeting as to their Children partaking of learning none placed out, one instance excepted in one meeting under notice ——

6th " Same deficiency appears as to the due Observance of this query care is mostly taken

7th " Clear except a few instances in one meeting of some of our members going to Sea in armed vessels which are under notice

8th " Friends are not all so careful to inspect their Affairs & Settle their Accompts as would be best a shortness appears in making of Wills some care taken gifts & legacies duly applied

9th " Clear ——

10th There is but little complaint as to perform=
=ing of promisses & paying just debts yet we
fear that all do not circumscrible their business
within the limits of Truth ——

11th Care is generally taken as to our records
some deficiency as to certificates in which care
is generally taken ——

12th There is a concern to deal with offenders
and judgment appears to be placed where it
appears necessary we hope in the authority
of truth according to descepline ——

We have received an account from the monthly
meeting ~~of~~ on Nantucket for the northern District
directed to last Quarter by which it appears that
they have appointed Richard Mitchel to the place
of an Elder, which coming under solid consideration
the same is refered to next Quarterly meeting
they likewise inform that they have conformed
to the advice of this meeting respecting the friends
residing at Dartmouth in Novascotia & forwarded
them that information

The Clerk not being present to inform
whither he hath forwarded the Copy of the
minute respecting Abiel Gifford the same
is continued to next Quarter ——

The several monthly meetings except Dartmouth
inform that they have directed to be paid to our
Treasurer the respective sums heretofore apporti=
=oned them from their meeting ——

Nantucket monthly meeting for the Nothern District inform that their representitives appointed to attend last Quarter embarked for that purpose but were prevented by contrary winds

We appoint Jeremiah Austin Junr. Caleb Greene Joseph Wing Peter Pollard & Laban Mitchell to attend our next Yearly Meeting as representatives ——

The following Account was prepared to our next Yearly Meeting which was read approved & signed by the Clerk

From our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 28th of 3d mo 1800

To Our Next Yearly Meeting
Dear Friends

We received Transcripts of the Epistle from our last Yearly Meeting which have been read we hope to Edification we also received the Extracts from the Minutes & have directed the payment of our proportion of the yearly Meeting Stock to the Treasurer

We have appointed our friends Jeremiah Austin Jur Caleb Greene

Joseph Wing Peter Pollard & Laban Mitchell to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting our Representatives & herewith forward our Answers to the Queries.

This meeting hath United with Pembroke monthly meeting in the appointment of Lydia Brown to the station of an Elder

Signed in & on behalf of said meeting
by Obadiah Davis Clerk for
this time

Our Treasurer being desirous of being released from that Service we appoint Samuel Rodman our Treasurer for the year ensuing.

The business which came before this meeting being accomplished we conclude & propose by divine permission to meet again at Nantucket at the Usual time

Signed onbehalf a said Meeting by
Obadiah Davis assistant Clerk

At a Quarterly meeting of Friends held on Nantucket for Sandwich the 1st of 7mo. 1800

Accounts were received from all the Monthly meetings hereto belonging the represen=
=tatives therein named are

From Sandwich. Ebenezer Wing Daniel Bowma
& Silas Swift—
Pembroke. James Rogers & Stephen Rogers
Nantucket. Obed Marshall Jered Gardner
& Obed Macy—
Dartmouth William Anthony Luthan
Wood & James Tucker—
Acoaxet Jeremiah Austin Junr. Obadiah
Mosher & Benjamin Devoll.—
New Bedford Cornelius Howland Joseph
Austin & Elijah Braley.—
Nantucket Nothern District Paul
Gardner Junr. Laban Mitchell
& Peleg Easton —— who being
called are all present—

This meeting Adjourns to the fourth hour this afternoon—

Afternoon met by adjournment—

The clerk informs that the minutes respecting Remington Hobby & John Winslow have been forwarded agreable to direction

The proposal brot up to last Quarter from Nantucket Monthly Meeting for the nothern District for the appointment of Richard Mitchell to the

Station of an Elder coming before us at this time & being solidly & weightily considered the Subject is dismissed. —

The Clerk informs that he has forwarded Abiel Gifford certificate agreable to direction

Our beloved friends Nathan Hunt & Hugh Judge attended this meeting the former with a certificate from the monthly meeting of Springfield held in Guilford County north Carolina & a concuring Certificate from New Garden Quarterly meeting held at New Garden in said Guilford County, the latter with a certificate from the monthly meeting of New York & the Quarterly Meeting of Westbury they having attended several of our monthly & particular meetings in which their religious services & Gospel labours have been to our comfort & Edification & the clerk is directed to furnish the latter with a copy of this minute as far as it respects him

The Queries were read with Answers to the Usual three from all the monthly meetings by which the following appears to be the State of Society, that there is a pretty general attendance of Meetings on first day & those for decipline & the hour observed, midweek Meetings somewhat neglected some Sleeping Observable at times as well as some other unbecoming behaviour in which deficiencies it appears that some care is taken — Love & unity is in some good degree maintained Tale bearing &c discouraged & where differences have arisen care has been taken to end them — care is taken to deal with offenders & to place Judgment according to decipline —

The representitives to the yearly meeting report that they all attended.—

Our beloved friends Ruth Hallock & Sarah Hull attended this meeting with Certificates from the Creek monthly meeting held in ninepartners State of New York, they having attended several monthly & particular meetings within this Quarter where their religious services have been to our edification & comfort & the clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to the monthly Meeting to which they belong.—

The monthly meeting of Dartmouth in their acct inform that they have directed thirty three Dollars their proportion of the Quarterly Meeting Stock paid to our Treasurer——

Extracts from the Yearly meetin minuts were received recomending particular attention to the subject of Education & the clerk is directed to make out & forward a copy thereof as far as it respects that subject to the several monthly meetings, they likewise inform that they have concluded to raise the Sum of five Hundred Dollars, two hundred of which being our proporticon the several monthly Meetings are requested to the following sums to our Treasurer & inform this meeting thereof (viz)

Sandwich $20. Pembroke $6. Nantucket $40. Dartmouth $33. Acoaxet $16.

New Bedford $45. Nantucket Nothern Dirtrict $40.

Extracts from the Yearly meeting

It is agreed by this Yearly meeting that the present state of Education of the rising generation among friends calls loudly for their renew'd engagement & more serious attention, That one school at least ought to be set up within every monthly meeting belonging to this Yearly Meeting to be under the care & direction of the monthly meeting & to be adapted as suitably as may be to the situation & number of children & to the ability of friends in each meeting. —

And it is further recommended that any monthly Meeting who upon due consideration shall apprehend that they are not of ability of themselves to set up a school that they recommend & open a Subscription towards the setting up & supporting a school, & that they send up an account of their proceedings therein with the amount of their subscriptions to the Quarterly Meeting to which they belong which quarterly meeting is desired to aid such monthly meeting in setting up such school by their advice & assistance which Quarterly meeting may nevertheless if they judge it most conducive to the end in view join two or more monthly meetings in the maintainance & support of a common school, and if more assistance shall be needed from any Quarterly meeting than they are able to defray without unreasonably burthening themselves, that such Quarterly Meeting make application to our next Yearly meeting carefully sending up an account of their proceedings with the amount of assistance afforded to any meeting or meetings within the same, with the account of the sum over what they may have discharged or may feel themselves of ability & freedom to discharge to the intent that this meeting may take measures in order to discharge the same —— And the several Quarterly & Monthly Meetings are desired to pay particular regard to our Discipline respecting Schools —— And the meeting for Sufferings are desired to take into their consideration the subject of friends proportion of the public Taxes for the support of schools, & to take such measures for Obtaining the same for the support of friends Schools as way may open for & they may think best

Monthly Meetings who may see their way clear may in the mean time be at liberty to apply to the authority of the Town or Towns wherein their members live for the same

And friends are desired to send an account of their progress in this important concern to our next Yearly Meeting

This Meeting has concluded to raise five hundred dollars of which your proportion is two hundred

Extracted from the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting of Friends held at Newport from the 15 of 6 mo 1800 to the 19 of the same inclusive Wm. Almy Clerk
to the meetg this year

Transcripts of Epistles were received from London Philadelphia & Newyork that from London was read to our satisfaction the reading of the other two is refered to our next Quarterly meeting & the clerk is directed to forward transcripts of the London Epistle to the several monthly meetings

The business which came before this Meetg being accomplished we conclude & propose to meet again in the 10th mo next at Sandwich — Signed in & onbehalf of this meeting by Tho. Hazard Junr. Clerk

At a quarterly meeting of Friends held a Sandwich the 3rd of 10 mo. 1800 —

Accounts were received from all the monthly Meetings here unto belonging the representitives therein named are from Sandwich Stephen Wing John Wing 3d & Prince Gifford Junr. Pembroke Isaac Keen and Benjamin Easter Nantucket Peleg Macy Walter Folger & Simeon Russell Dartmouth Latham Wood Benjamin Smith Benjamin Taber Junr. & John Tucker, Acoaxet Prince Wing & Jonathan Peckham, New Bedford Cornelius Howland Stephen Hathaway & Obadiah Davis, Nantucket northern district Libni Gardner Timothy Horsfield & David Mitchell. —

Whom being called were all present except Walter Folger for whoes absence a satisfactory reason was offered; —

The queries were read with answers to the Usual three from all the monthly meetings by which the following appears to be the State of Society

Answer 1st All our meetings are attended by the greater part of our members, who mostly observe the hour yet there are some negligent herein particularly on midweek & first day afternoon meetings Sleeping is apparent in some, & some care has been extended in the above deficiences, mostly clear of other unbecoming behaviour ~

2nd Love & Unity appears to be sought after & obtained by a considerable number, & a general harmony mostly preserved, tale bearing backbiting &c some what discouraged, where differences have arisen endeavours have been used to end them

12th Care is generally taken to deal regularly with offenders, & judgment appears to be placed according to decipline ~

Nantucket monthly meeting in their accompt recommend the appointment of Abishai Bunker to the Station of an Elder which being weightily considered & meeting the Simpathy & Unity of this meeting he is appointed accordingly & Obadiah Davis is appointed to inform the Select Quarterly meeting thereof ~

This Meeting is informed that the monthly meetings of Sandwich Pembroke Acoaxet New Bedford & Nantucket for the northern district have directed their proportions of the yearly Meeting Stock paid to our Treasurer, ~

Our beloved friend Nathan Hunt having visited our last Quarterly meeting & all our particular Meetings in which his religious services & Gospel labours have been truly acceptable & edifying to us the Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to the monthly meeting to which he belongs, ~

The transcripts of the Epistles from Philadelphia & NewYork refered from last Quarter have been read to our comfort & edifycation with a hope that the very important & Salulary advice contained therein may not be too easily forgotten, but have the right effect on every mind, the clerk is directed to make out transcripts for the Several monthly Meetings,—

The buſineſs which came before this meeting being accomplished we conclude to meet again in the 12th month next at NewBedford Signed in & on behalf of said meeting by

Thos Hazard Jr Clerk

An Account of the ſufferings of ſome Friends, Tranſcrib'd from the Pembroke Quarterly Meeting Book of Records.

Hull the third day of the 3 mo. 1682. Taken from Nathaniel Chamberlin, by Luke Squire Conſtable, for their Priest Zachariah Whitmans Rate, a warming Pan 8/4. a pewter Baſon 4/ a pewter platter 3/. He ſaid the Rate was 13/. and some odd Pence. —

In the Year 1697. in the 12 mo. Robert Golde Lieut. of the Town of Hull, ſent Abraham Jones Clerk, to the Houſe of William Chamberlin, in the Town of Hull aforesaid, to deſtrein fifteen Shillings for not training, who took with him Samuel Welden & Benjamin Loring to appraiſe what he took; and he took Knives, Shot, Powder and other things, as much as they apprais'd at £1.10..

In the Year 1699 in the 12 mo. Robert Golde Lieut. of the Town of Hull, ſent Abraham Jones Clerk, to the Houſe of William Chamberlin in the town of Hull aforesaid, to deſtrein £1.10.. for not training, who took with him Joseph Green, & Robert Milton to appraise what he took; and he took knives buttons & Sciſars as much as they apprais'd at £1.10.. and afterwards he returned again and took as many knives & Sciſsars as they had apprais'd at 7/6.

Stephen Clape, the Clerk of the Company under Benjamin Stetson, called Captain, came & took from Edward Wanton 30. 7 mo. 1700 a Cow, for his Son & his Servant not training: Edward Wanton demanded a Copy of his warrant, and he ſaid he had none, then he demanded a receipt, and he would give him none, and he ſaid his power would bear him out in it.

In the Year 1700. 24. 10 mo. Robert Golde Lieut. of the town of Hull, ſent Abraham Jones Clerk to the Houſe of William Chamberlin in the town of Hull aforesaid, to deſtrein for not training £1.10.. who brot with him Luke Squire & Henry Chamberlin to appraiſe what he took, and he took nails knives Sciſsars and Combs, as much as they appraiſed at £2.5..

The 21 day of the fifth mo. 1701. James Goshen of the town of Scituate came to my Houſe, calling himself Clerk of a Company of Trainers, and there came with him Benjamin Pierce & Thomas Turner of the same Town. and he demanded fourty Shillings of me for I and my Servant not training. I told him I could not pay any thing on that account. and Benjamin Pierce desired me to turn out something for them to take, I told them I could not, and I said as for these training Days, there is a great deal of Sin & wickedneſs committed in them and I must bear my Testimoney against all such things, then Benjamin Pierce said it was true, and went away, and the other two went into my field and took my horse for which I was proffer'd five pounds a little before, when they brought the Horse to me James Coshan said he would take that Horſe, and I asked him in whose name he took the Horſe, and whether he had any warrant for the same, and he ſaid he had none, but took him by virtue of his office, and so he carried him away.

Abraham Booth.

The 25. 9 mo. 1701. Hatherly Foster Clerk of a Company in Scituate whereof Benjn. Stutson was called Captain, came to the Houſe of Edward Wanton, and with him Stephen Curtis, and took from him two Cows, for his two Sons and a Servant's not training.

John Holms Conſtable of Duxborough came to my house the 19. Day of the 2nd mo. 1708. and demanded a fine £1. 10. 11 which he ſaid I was rated to John Robinſon priest of Duxborough. I told him that I should not pay any such Rates, then he said he was come to carry me to prison, and he asked if I would go without any further trouble, I asked him to ſhew me his warrant, and to give me a Copy thereof, which he readily granted and then I went with him to plimouth where I was confin'd from that day until the 26. 3 mo. and then I was set at liberty by an order from the Governour & Council of Boston.

Abraham Booth

There was taken a Mare from me, by Josiah Barker deputy Sheriff, for the cost of Court that did arise by not appearing at training, in the 4mo. 1759.

Abraham Booth Chapman.

Seth Jacobs Constable came to my house and told me that there was a large Rate for me to pay, I asked him what that was, and he told that there was Quakers Rates as he call'd them. I told him that I did look on that to be in the Room of Personal Service, and I could not pay that, so he came again & took a pair of Oxen in the 8 mo 1763.

Abraham Booth Chapman.

The abovementioned Rate
was £1„„2

Seth Jacobs Conſtable came and took from me, for what he called the Quakers Rate, in the 8 mo 1760.

The abve ſd Rate was £5..6.8. John Chapman.

List of Members of the Select Meeting belonging to Sandwich Quarterly Meeting. 1789.

Sandwich. Mo. Meeting
John Russell ε
Benjn. Swift. ε
Samuel Bowerman
Rest Bowerman
Elizabeth Wing ε
Abigail Wing ε
Anna Allen
Richard Delano ε

Pembroke
John Rogers. since decd.
John Bailey ε
Mary Bailey. since decd ε

Nantucket
Elihu Coleman. since deceased
Jonathan Macy. since decd
Peleg Folger. since deceased.
Wm. Rotch
Jethro Mitchell
Shubael Coffin
David Greene since decd
Mary Mitchell
Priscilla Bunker. since decd.
Lois Macy since decd.
Sarah Barney
Lois Barney
Elizabeth Rotch
Sarah Barker
Deborah Hussey
Alice Starbuck removed
Hephzibah Harris. Do.
Anna Swain

Dartmouth.
Joseph Tucker
Nanny Gifford
Deborah Hicks
Thomas Hicks
Mercy Slocum
Martha Gifford since Smith
James Davis
Caleb Greene [illegible]
Deborah Davis
Benjamin Taber
Joseph Tucker Junr.
Rhoda Tucker

Acoaxet.
Jeremiah Austin ε
Philip Trip
Abner Potter
Stephen Buffington m
Mary Wing
Eber Davis
Peace Devol

At a Quarterly meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 12th of 12mo 1800

Accounts were received from all the Monthly Meetings hereto belonging the representitives therein named are, —

From Sandwich Daniel Boreman John Wing 3d
Joseph Hoxie & Prince Gifford Junr.
" Pembroke John Bailey & Stephen Rogers
" Nantucket Obed Macy Abishai Bunker
Mathew Barney & George Ruſsell
" Dartmouth Benjamin Taber Junr James Tucker
& Caleb Slocum, —
" Acoaxet Ebenezer Baker Eber Davis
& Nathaniel Maycumber
" New Bedford William Wing & Mathew Howland
" Nantucket No. District } Peleg Easton & Robert Brayton

who being called are all present. —

The time for which the clerk & aſsistant clerk of this meeting were appointed having expired, Thomas Hazard Junr. is appointed Clerk & Obadiah Davis aſsistant clerk for the Year ensuing. —

The Queries were read with answers to the usual three from all the monthly meetings by which it appears that our meetings for worship & Decipline are pretty well attended except midweek meetings, which are neglected by some, sleeping is likewise apparent at times respecting which some care has been taken, Love & Unity generally preserved though not in that fullness as would be desirable, Tale bearing &c generally discouraged though not so fully at all times as would be best, in which care has been taken, as likewise to end differences when they have arisen, care is taken to Deal with offenders & Judgment has been placed according to Decipline.

Dartmouth monthly meeting in their account inform that they have directed thirty three Dollars their proportion of the Yearly Meeting stock paid to our treasurer

The business which came before this meeting being accomplished we conclude to meet again in the 3rd month next at this place, Signed in & on behalf of said Meeting

by Thos Hazard Jur Clerk

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 27 of 3 mo. 1801, accounts were recived from all the Monthly meetings here unto belonging the representitives therein named are

From Sandwich Paul Wing & George Allen
Pembroke Zacheus Eastes & Stephen Rogers
Nantucket Obed Marshal Jered Gardner & Obed Macy
Dartmouth William Anthony Joseph Tucker & Joseph Eastes

Acoaxet William Gifford Philip Cornell &
Ebenezer Baker —

New Bedford Samuel Rodman & John R Davis

Nantucket } Libni Gardner James Barker
Nº District } & Peter Barney —

Who being called are all present except George Allen for whose absence a satisfactory reason was offered. —

The general Epistle of last year from London has been read in this meeting containing much weighty & salutary advice which has been comfortable & edifying to us

Our beloved friend Joseph Hoag attended this meeting with a certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Danby State of Vermont & a concurring certificate from the Quarterly Meeting of Easton State of New York, his Gospel labours and religious services has been truly acceptable to us —— The Queries were read with Answers from all the Monthly meetings by which it appears that the following is the State of Society, on the deficiences which appears by them, to be yet painfully remaining amongst us some solid & pertenant remarks were made which we hope may have a weighty effect. —

Answer 1. All our Meetings for Religious worship & Discipline duly attended by most friends while others are negligent herein particularly in the attendance of mid week meetings the hour pretty well observed, Some instances of Sleeping are observable in our Meeting, in which Some care has been extended, generally clear of other unbecoming behaviour

2nd Love & Unity appears to be generally maintained, as far as is discoverable by friends dwelling together in harmony, Tale bearing & back biting is in a good degree discouraged, where differences arise care is taken to End them. —

3rd A Concern is maintained, by a number to bring up their Children, in plainness of Speech behavior and apparel & to restrain them from reading pernicious books, but others are deficient in these respects generally clear of Corrupt conversation, we believe the Scriptures are frequently read Audibly in friends families Some care is taken in the deficiences mentioned —

4th We think generally ~~clear~~ careful in these respects yet a fear rests that all are not so careful in the Use of Speritious liquors, & of avoiding places of public resort as the truth would lead to —

5th We believe most members of our Meetings are careful in the discharge of the duties here queried yet a further care in the education of poor Children is Necessary in some parts of our Quarter, we know of none placed out from among friends

6th All parents & guardians are not sufficiently careful in discountenancing those

under their care in accompanying an Act of
marriage, Yet many are watchful in this
respect, who discourage disorders herein
Due care is taken when breaches of this
query comes to the knowledge of Monthly
Meetings, a few instances of Company keeping
with those not of our Society under Notice

7th " Mostly clear in these respects, Yet there are
a few instances of our Members Sailing in Armed
Vessels & one of bearing Arms at Training which
are under Notice.——

8th " Generally careful in the Settlement of Accts
though not without exception, The Answers we
have received from the Monthly Meetings express
that there is in each of them a deficiency in
making wills, Gifts & Legacies duly applyed

9th " Clear as far as Appears

10th " Generally Clear in these respects

11th " Generally Careful as respects our Records
a few instances of removal without Certificates
in Some of which care is taken ——

12th " A Concern is preserved to deal regularly
with Offenders & to place Judgment on the
Obstinate agreable to discipline ——

The monthly meeting of Acoaxet
propose that their meeting in future be
held in the 6th month on the 5th Day
before the Yearly meeting, of which this

meeting approves & the monthly meetings of Dartmouth & New Bedford have liberty to hold their monthly meetings one week earlier in the 6th month than the time heretofore fixed on for holding the same. —

Nantucket monthly meeting inform that they have directed their proportion of the Yearly meeting Stock paid to our Treasurer

Nantucket monthly Meeting for the Northern District propose an alteration in the time of holding their monthly meeting in the 6th month, which this meeting considering directs that when their monthly meeting falls in course in the week the Quarterly meeting shall be held on that Island that it be held the week following

The Treasurer of this meeting is directed to pay our proportion of the Yearly meeting Stock to the Treasurer of that meeting. —

William Rotch Junr. Abishai Bunker James Barker William Anthony & Jeremiah Austin Junr. are appointed to attend the next Yearly meeting, by whom the following account together with answers to the Queries were forwarded

From our Quarterly meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 27th of 3 mo 1801. To Our next Yearly Meeting

Dear Friends —

We received transcripts of Epistles from London Philadelphia & New York all of which have been read to our comfort & edification, Likewise Extracts from your minutes of last Year particularly enjoining our more active exertions on the important Subject of Schools which has claimed our attention, though little has been done since last year, Yet we hope that Subject is ripening on friends minds this meeting has United with Nantucket monthly meeting in the appointment of Abishai Bunker to the Station of an Elder, we have Ordered our proportion of the Yearly meeting Stock paid to your Treasurer for a State of our Meeting we herewith forward answers to the Queries by our representitives who are William Rotch Abishai Bunker James Barker William Anthony & Jeremiah Austin Jnr

The business which came before this meeting being accomplished we conclude to meet at the Usual time at Nantucket Signed in & on behalf of said meeting

by Thos Hazard Jr Clerk

At Our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held on Nantucket for Sandwich the 30th of ye 6mo 180

Accots being received from the several Mo. Meetings the Representatives therein named, Are
for Sandwich. Joseph Wing. & Prince Gifford Jun.
" Pembrook. Stephen Rogers. & Josiah Keene.
" Nantucket. Barnabas Bunker. Elisha Macy.
Stephen Arthur. & Willm Macy.
" Dartmouth. Jonathan Wilbor, Caleb Slocum,
& George Smith the 2d —
" Acoaxet. Prince Wing, William Gifford.
& Jeremiah Austin Jun."
" New Bedford. Elijah Braley. & Cornelius Howland,
" Nantucket Northern District. Uriah Macy,
David Mitchel, & Paul Gardner Jun.
Who being called are all present —

The Clerk being absent. Saml. Rodman, is appointed for the day —

The friends App. at last Quarter to attend the Yearly Meeting, Report their attendance

Our beloved friend James Davis, in a solid manner, expressed in this Meeting a Concern that had rested on his mind for a considerable time to make a religious visit to friends in the Northern parts of the Yearly Meeting of Newyork; Which claiming our near Sympathy & the Meeting uniting with him therein. the Clerk is directed to endorse & Sign in behalf of this Meeting our Concurrence, on the Certificate he presented from New Bedford Monthly Meeting. directed to Friends of New york Yearly Meetg.

Adjourn'd to the 4th hour this Afternoon,

Met by adjournment

Our beloved friend John Hall attended this Meeting & produced Certificates from the Monthly Meeting of Pardshaw the Quy Meeting for Cumberland & North Umberland, & the Meeting of Ministers & Elders in London dated 1799, which were read to our Satisfaction — Also our friend Stephen Grellett, who presented Certificates from the Monthly Meeting of Newyork & Quarterly Meeting of Westbury, which were to our Satisfaction —

Our friend Joseph Hoag also again attended; Their Company & Religious Services amongus being acceptable & edifying —

The Queries with Answers to the 1st 2d & 12th received from the Monthly Meetings, were read by which it Appears that Our Meetings for Worship & Discipline are duly attended by most friends, altho some are deficient herein; All are not clear of Sleeping, and some unbecoming behavior appears at times among the Youth: Love & Unity in a good degree maintaind but in a less extensive manner than ought to be our experience; A considerable number are engaged for the preservation of our testimony in its various branches whilst others are but little concerned therefor —

Upon the deficiencies apparent therein many lively & pertinent remarks were made, which we desire may be profitably treasured in our remembrance —

The following Extract from our last Yearly Meetg was received & read. Viz.

Extract from the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting held on Rhode Island in 6 Month 1801 —

By

By the reports from the several Quarterly Meetings, it appears that the concern of this Meeting relative to the establishment of Schools, under the care of Monthly Meetings, has claimed some attention in friends minds, And divers schools have been established under the care of Friends, and a prospect of some others being opened, Yet We are sorrowfully affected by the information that some instances have occurred, even where Schools were establishd by Monthly Meetings that Some friends have been so inattentive, not only to the concern of the Body on this Subject, but we fear to the precious dictates of Truth in their own minds, as to Send their children to Public or other improper Schools, Where their tender minds are exposed to Suffer loss. — Under these impressions we are concern'd to exhort all in profession with us, deeply to consider the important duty, we owe to our beloved Offspring, whose minds it is incumbent upon us to watch over with all diligence, that they be trained up in the Nurture & admonition of the Lord; And we further desire that friends may be encouraged, not only to labor in the ability afforded in the Spirit of brotherly affection and meekness, to prevent such inadvertence in future, but also with fervency & hope persevere in endeavors to effect the object of this Meetings concern, as far as our individual circumstances may allow, And by no means admit the consideration that the sacrifice of those outward favors entrusted to our Stewardship should be put in competition with the all important object of the present & eternal Welfare of our beloved children; And each Quarterly Meeting is requested

to

to report their progress herein next year

This Meeting concludes to raise Five Hundred Dollars for the service of the ensuing Year, Of which Sandwich Quarterly Meeting's proportion is Two Hundred Dollars, Which they are desired to forward to our treasurer, And an Account to our next Yearly Meeting —

Wm Rotch Jun. Clerk
to the Meeting this year

Which the Clerk is directed to forward a transcript of to each Monthly Meeting —

By the foregoing extract it appears that our proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock is $200 —

The Auditors of this Meetings Accots. report that there is due to the Treasurer Forty Dollars & Thirty Cents. And it is concluded to raise the sum of Two Hundred Dollars for the use of this Meeting which united with the sum required for the use of the Yearly Meeting is proportioned in the following manner Viz.

Sandwich Monthly Meeting	$36	
Pembrook " "	12	
Nantucket " "	80	
Dartmouth " "	56	
Acoaxet " "	36	
New Bedford	100	
Nantucket Northern District	80	400 Dollars

Which the several Monthly Meetings are directed to forward to the Treasurer of this Meeting & inform thereof when completed —

Our beloved friends Mary Gilbert & Anne Mifflin attended this Meeting & produced Certificates from the Monthly Meeting of Philadelphia dated 5 month last expreſsing their Unity with them in their present Religious engagement. Their Company & Services being acceptable & edifying to us. the Clerk is directed to furnish them with a Copy of this Minute —

The busineſs being finished. this Meeting Concludes & Adjourns to the Usual time in the 10th Month at Sandwich —

Saml Rodman Clerk
at this time

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich the 2nd of 10 mo 1801 Accounts were received from all the monthly meeting hereto belonging the representitives therein named are

From Sandwich, George Allen Ebenezer Wing
& David Kelly —
Pembroke, John Bailey & Smith Brown
Dartmouth, Luther Wood & James Tucker —
Nantucket. William Macy Benjn Mitchell
& Peleg Mitchell —
Acoaxet, Adam Allen Joshua Devol &
Prince Wing —
New Bedford Cornelius Howland Jonathan
Card & Richard Davis —
Nantucket No District } George Folger Junr. Obed
Mitchell & Jonathan Jenkins

Who being called were all present except Cornelius Howland & George Folger Junr. for whose Absence reasons were rendered

The Queries were read with Answers to the 1st 2nd & 12th from all the monthly Meetings by which the following appears to be the state of Society

" All our Meetings for worship & discipline are duly attended by the greater part of Friends, though a slackness is sorrowfully apparent in a few, the hour generally observed though all are not so careful as would be best sleeping appears in a few instances, mostly clear of other unbecoming behaviour some care taken in the above deficiences

We beleive there are a considerable number who are endeavouring to maintain love & Unity as queried, who also are concerned to ~~discharge~~ discourage talebaring backbiting &c while others are far short herein care is generally taken to end differences where they arise

Care is taken to deal with offenders in a good degree according to that Query & to place judgment according to our Desipline "

In which many solid & weighty remarks were made expressive of the great necessity of an increased & renewed attention of friends to the removal of the many painful deficiences yet remaining amongst us ——

The monthly Meetings of Sandwich

and Acoaxet in their Accounts inform that they have directed their proportions of the Yearly & Quarterly meeting Stock paid to our treasurer

Nantucket Monthly meeting inform that they have approved of the Public appearance in the line of the ministry of Dorcas Gardner and Mary Barker which being seperately & weightily considered, has claimed our near Sympathy, & with the concurrence of the womens meeting we Unite therewith & appoint William Rotch Junr to inform the Select Quarterly Meeting thereof, —

Nantucket monthly meeting requesting our advice upon the Construction of an article of Discipline we appoint Jethro Mitchell Smith Brown William Rotch Junr & Thomas Hazard Jun to consult & advise with the representatives from that meeting & visit the monthly meeting thereupon if they should find it necessary & report to our next meeting

Our beloved friend Stephen Grellet having visited all the meetings within this Quarter except one his company & religious services have been very acceptable, & the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute

The business which came before this meeting being accomplished we conclude to meet again in the 12th month next at New Bedford

Signed on behalf of said meeting
by Thos Hazard Junr Clerk —

At a Quarterly meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 11th of 12 mo 1801 —— Accounts were received from all the monthly meetings, the representitives there in named are, ——

From Sandwich Prince Gifford Daniel Bowerman & Joseph Hoxie ——
Pembroke Stephen Rogers & John Bailey
Nantucket Sylvanus Macy & Obed Marshall
Dartmouth Joseph Tucker Wm Anthony & Samuel Smith
Acoaxet Nathaniel Maccumber Benjamin Devoll & William Gifford
New Bedford Mathew Howland Barnabas Taber & William Wing ——
Nantucket Nº District } George Folger Junr Sylvanus Coleman & David Mitchell

Who being called are all present ——

An Epistle from the last yearly meeting in London directed to the Quarterly & monthly meetings, was received & acceptably read in this meeting, ——

The time for which the Clerk & assistant Clerk of this meeting were appointed having expired, Thomas Hazard Junr is appointed Clerk, & Asa Russell assistant Clerk for the year ensuing ——

The monthly meetings of Dartmouth & New Bedford in their accounts inform they have directed their proportions of the yearly & Quarterly meeting Stock paid to our Treasurer

The Queries were read with answers to the 1st 2nd & 12th from all the monthly meetings expressive of the following being the State of Society ——

Our meetings for Religious worship & desciplin are attended by the greater part of Friends although a Slackness is apparent in a few, especially on midweek days, the hour pretty well observed, some few give way to sleep, generally Clear of other unbecoming behaviour, some care taken, ——

Love & Unity appears to be generally maintained though an increase thereof would more certainly manifest that we were the followers of Christ, Tale bearing &c is discouraged by most Friends, endeavours are used to end differences when they appear, ——

Care is generally taken to deal with offenders as queried & Judgment placed according to Desciplin, ——

The Committee appointed to advise with the representitives from Nantucket not being ready to report they are continued to report at our next meeting, ——

An extract being received from the minutes of our last yearly meeting authorising this meeting to appoint not exceeding four friends members of the meeting for Sufferings whereupon we appoint John Bailey Samuel Rodman Abishai Bunker & Thomas Hazard jun to that service & the clerk is directed to furnish that meeting with a copy of this minute, ——

The busineſs which came before this meeting being accomplished we conclude to meet again in the 3rd month at this place, — Signed in & onbehalf of said meeting by

Thos Hazard jr Clerk

At a Quarterly meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 26 of 3mo 1802

Accounts were received from all the Monthly meetings, the Representitives therein named are

From Sandwich. Daniel Boreman Hezekiah Hoxie & John Wing Junr.
Nantucket. Abishai Bunker Benjamin Mitchell & Charles Bunker
Pembroke Joseph Roggers & John Bailey
Dartmouth Luther Wood Joseph Easter & James Tucker
Acoaxet Isaac Peckham Thomas Brownell & Jonathan Peckham
New Bedford Peter Barney Amaziah Delano & Abraham Smith

Nantucket } Robert Braton & Zenas Gardner
Nº District }

Who being called are all Present except Latham Wood, whose absence we are informed is Occasioned by indisposition of body. ~

The Queries were read with Answers from all the monthly meetings from which the following appears to be the State of Society

Answer 1. It appears that all our meetings for Religious Worship and discipline are attended by the greater part of our Members who generally observe the hour, yet there appears a shortness with others in attending Midweek Meetings, Sleeping discovered in some at times pretty clear of other unbecoming behaviour, some care hath been taken in the above deficiences

2. Love & unity appears to be generally maintained in a good degree, though not so fully as becomes the followers of Christ tallbaring &c mostly discouraged, when differences arise endeavours are used to end them

3. A care rests on the mind of a considerable number to bring up those under their care in plainness of Speech behavior & apparel & to restrain them from reading pernicious books & the corrupt conversation of the world, who appear to be good Examples themselves, tho others seem not enough concerned on these accompts, we believe the holy Scriptures are generally read in friends families

4 Spirituous Liquors not wholly confined to Medicine yet a care rests on most Friends minds to avoid the Unnecessary Use of them, frequenting Taverns & places of Publick resort avoided by most Friends, while a few are not enough careful; a good degree of Moderation at births Marriages &c ——

5. Care is generally taken in the several branches of this Query ——

6. Disorderly proceeding on account of Marriage we hope are in a good degree discountenanced. Some instances of Marriage with those not of our Society since last Quarter in which the care of Friends has been extended, we know not but clear of countenancing disorderly Marriages. ——

7. We think clear in those respects ——

8. Settling Accompts & making Wills not all clear, the other part clear. ——

9. Clear ——

10. We know of no complaint in performing promises, or paying Just debts, yet we fear all are not enough careful to circumscribe their business within the limits truth requires

11. Our Records are generally attended to, mostly Clear as to Certificates

12. Care is generally taken to deal with offenders & Judgment appears to be placed according to Descipline

The committee who were appointed to advise with the representatives from Nantucket not being ready to make a conclusive report at this time they are continued to report at our next meeting.

The monthly meetings of Pembroke, Nantucket & Nantucket for the nothern District in their accounts inform, that they have directed their proportions of the Yearly & Quarterly meeting Stock paid to our Treasurer.

The monthly meeting of Sandwich having recommended Daniel Bourman that of Acoaxet Prince Wing Nantucket for the Northern district Urban Mitchell & that of New Bedford Cornelius Howland & Elizabeth Rodman to the stations of Elders, which being separately & weightily considered by this meeting & we feeling a Sympathy & Unity therewith & having the concurrence of the womens meeting they are accordingly appointed to that Station & Jethro Mitchell is appointed to inform the Select Quarterly meeting thereof

A copy of a minute from the monthly meeting of New Bedford on behalf of our friend Martha Routh to pay a religious visit to the boarding School at Nine partners & the Quarterly meetings in that neighbourhood, & likewise to attend the Yearly meeting in New York accompanied by our friend Lydia Hatch was presented to this meeting, & having our Sympathy & concurrence the Same is directed to be endorsed on the Certificate

The treasurer of this meeting is directed to pay to the treasurer of the Yearly meeting our proportion of that meetings Stock ——

We appoint Obadiah Davis James Tucker Paul Wing Laban Mitchell & Cornelius Howland our Representitives to the next Yearly Meeting. ——

The following Acct was prepaired to the Yearly meeting read approved & signed by the Clerk ——

From our Quarterly meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 26 of 3 mo. 1802 —— To the next Yearly meeting to be held on Rhode Island

Dear Friends

We received the extracts from the minutes of your meeting of last year, both on the Subject of Schools & the appointment of an addition to the meeting for Sufferings, which has claimed our attention Some of our monthly meeting have made Some progress in establishing of Schools but little has been done in that very important business since last year — We likewise received Transcripts of the Epistles from London Philadelphia & Newyork all which were read to Satisfaction, we have concurred in the appointment of our friends Daniel Bowman of Sandwich Prince Wing of Acoaxet, Laban Mitchell of Nantucket Northern district Cornelius Howland & Elizabeth Rodman of New Bedford to the Stations of Elders & approved of the public appearance of Dorcas Gardner & Mary Barker of Nantucket in the line of the ministry — We have ordered our proportion of the Stock paid to your Treasurer, — We have appointed Obadiah Davis James Tucker Paul Wing Laban Mitchell & Cornelius Howland our Representitives —— Signed onbehalf & by direction of the Meeting

Thos. Hazard Jr Clerk

The busineſs which came before this meeting being Accomplished we conclude to meet again at the Usual time at Nantucket

Signed in & on behalf of said meeting
by Thos. Hazard Junr Clerk

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At a Quarterly Meeting held at Nantucket for Sandwich the 29 of the 6 mo. 1802 Accompts were received from all the Monthly Meetings hereto belonging, the Representatives therein named are —

For Sandwich; Abiel Swift and Seth Kelley —

At a Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Nantucket for Sandwich the 29th of 6 mo 1802 — Accounts were received from all the monthly meetings hereunto belonging the representitives therein named are, —

For Sandwich. Abiel Swift & Seth Kelly
Pembroke Josiah Keen Benjn Easter
Nantucket Peleg Mitchell Nathan Comstock
Samuel Macy & Stephen [illegible]
Dartmouth Edward Slade Junr Samuel Smith
& Humphrey Russell —
Acoaxet. Adam Allen Prince Wing &
Noah Gifford
New Bedford. Joseph Howland Peter Barney
& John A Davis
Nantucket No District } Peleg Easton Uriah Macy
& Stephen Coffin

who being called were all present except Benjn Easter Samuel Smith Prince Wing & Stephen Coffin, the cause of whose Absence this Meeting is informed is indisposition of body except Samuel Smith for whose Absence no reasons are given.

This Meeting adjourns to the 4th hour this afternoon.

Afternoon met by adjournment the Representitives the same as in the morning the Queries were read with Answers to the Usual three from all the monthly meetings from which the following Summary was drawn & appears to be the State of Society, —

1st All our meeting are attended and generally by the greater part of Friends except some slackness in the attendance of middle week Meetings: the hour mostly observed, Sleeping appears in some but mostly clear of this and other unbecoming behaviour some care taken in the above deficiencies —

2nd Care rests upon the minds of most Friends to maintain Love and Unity, but a want herein is apparent in some. Detraction not enough discouraged although care is generally exercised herein, & likewise to end differences. —

12th Care is mostly taken to deal with offenders as queried, & to place judgment according to Discipline

The committee who were appointed to advise with the Representitives from Nantucket, not having not accomplished that business they are continued to report at our next meeting

The Representitives to the Yearly meeting report that they all attended that meeting

~~An extract~~ The following Extract from the minutes of the last Yearly meeting was received & read in this — (viz)

The committee to take into consideration the situation of the few Friends at Nova Scotia report that they think it best they be continued under the Care of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting & Nantucket Monthly meeting for the Northern district and if that Quarterly Meeting ſhould hereafter find any advice or aſsistance of this meeting neceſsary that they propose the same to a future Yearly Meeting with which this Meeting Unites ——

Most of the Quarterly Meetings in their accounts inform that some Progreſs has been made in regard to Establishing Schools agreeable to the Recommandation of this Meeting. —— The unabated Deligence and attention of Friends is earnestly and affectionately recommended to this desirable Object of the important & guarded Education of our Youth, that the same may be carried still further into Effect agreeable to our Discipline and the advice of this meeting last Year ——

The Yearly Meeting have concluded to raise five hundred Dollars Sandwich Quarterly meetings proportion is two hundred & twenty five Dallars which they are requested to forward to our Treasurer & an Account thereof to our next Yearly meeting. ——

Extracted from the Minutes of our Yearly Meeting held on Rhode Island in the 6th month 1802 by Obadiah Davis Clerk

By the forgoing extracts from the Minutes of the Yearly meeting it appears that our proportion of that meetings Stock is $225 which the several monthly Meetings are requested to forward in the same proportion as heretofore to our treasurer with an account of it to this meeting ------------ viz

Sandwich	9	Pr Cent	is	$20.25
Pembroke	3	Pr Cent	is	6.75
Nantucket	20	Pr Cent	is	45.—
Dartmouth	14	Pr Cent	is	31.50
Acoaxet	9	Pr Cent	is	20.25
New Bedford	25	Pr Cent	is	56.25
Nantucket No District	20	Pr Cent	is	45.—
				$225.00

Pembroke monthly meeting in their Acct inform that they have appointed Sarah Otis to the Station of an Elder, which being weightely considered in this meeting & with the concurrence of the womens meeting, we Unite therewith, they likewise inform of their approving of the Publick appearance of John Baily in the line of the ministry which being likewise weightely considered & meeting our Sympathy & having the concurrence of the womens meeting we Unite therewith & Joseph Wing is appointed to inform the Select Quarterly meeting thereof.—

Transcripts of Epistles were received from the Yearly meetings of London Philadelphia & New York & read in this meeting to our Edification & comfort & the Clerk is directed to forward transcripts thereof to the Several monthly meetings together with such parts of the extracts received from the minutes of the yearly meeting as are necessary: —

The business which came before this meeting being accomplished we conclude to meet again in the 10th mo at Sandwich
Signed in & on behalf of said meeting
by Thos Hazard Jr Clerk

At Sandwich Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich the 1st of the 10 mo. 1802 — By accompts presented from the several Monthly Meetings, the Representatives therein named, are From
Sandwich Saml Wing & Prince Gifford
Pembroke John Bailey & Stephen Rogers
Nantucket Charles Bunker, Matthew Barney & Peleg Mitchell
Dartmouth Joseph Tucker, Humphrey Russell, & Zephaniah Buffinton.
Acoaxet, Saml Slead Prince Wing & Isaac Peckham
NewBedford William Wing, John R Davis, & Cornelius Howland

405 Nantucket No. destrict, Libni Gardner
Peleg Easton & Laban Mitchell
who being Called are all present except Cornelius Howland for whose absence a Satisfactory reason was given -

An acceptable reason was offer'd for the non attendance of Saml Smith at our last Quarterly Meeting -

The Queries were read with answers to the usual three of them, from all the Monthly Meetings, by which it appears that the following Summary is the present State of Society Viz

1st Our Meetings for Worship and Discipline are generally attended by the greater part of our Members the hour generally observed, yet it appears that a considerable number of Friends are remiss in attending our Meetings, and not all clear of Sleeping mostly clear of other unbecoming behaviour, care appears to be extended in Most Meetings -

2d Love and unity is Measurably maintained by Some Friends in all our Meetings, but many among us Seem to manifest too little concern there for, Talebearing &c in a good degree discouraged, Care appears to subsist with Friends to end differences -

12 Care is taken in most Meetings to deal

with Offenders, regularly and impartially and to place judgment according to discipline —

The Committee not having accomplished their advice to the Representatives of Nantucket Monthly Meeting, are continued, to report at Next Quarterly Meeting

We are informed through Nantucket Monthly Meeting for the No. District, that a Certificate from Rahway Moy Meetg on behalf of Saml. Moore (who resides at Novascotia) was presented to that Meetg; and they requesting the advice of this Meetg, are left at liberty to accept said Certificate if they see fit —

It having been spread before this Meetg for consideration whether it might not be more useful, to begin all our Quarterly Meetings in future at the 10th Hour, which being cordially united with; they are directed to be held accordingly; and the Clerk is directed to forward a Copy of this Minute to the several Monthly Meetgs —

Nantucket Moy Meetg for the No. District inform that they have directed their Treasurer to pay to the Treasurer of this Meeting their proportion of the Yearly Meetg Stock —

The Business which came before this Meeting being accomplished we conclude and propose to Meet again on the usual

Day in the 12th Mo. at NewBedford
Signed on behalf of said Meeting. By
Asa Russell Clerk this time

At a Quarterly meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 10th of 12 mo 1802

Accounts were received from all the monthly meetings, the Representatives therein named are. —

From Sandwich. Daniel Bowerman Paul Wing. —
Pembroke. Mordica Ellis Joseph Keen
Nantucket. Samuel Macy Obed Marshal & Obed Macy. —
Dartmouth. Thomas Allen Giles Smith & Joseph Wing. —
Acoaxet. Jeremiah Austin Junr. Ebenezer Baker & Isaac Peckham
NewBedford Barnabas Taber Stephen Hathaway. —
Nantucket No. District } David Hussey David Mitchell & James Barker

Who being called are all present —

The time for which the Clerke & afsistant Clarke of this meeting were appointed having expired Thomas Hazard Jun is appointed Clarke & Wm. S. Wall afsistant Clerk for the Year ensuing. —

The monthly meetings of Dartmouth & Acoaxet in their accounts inform that they have directed their proportions of the yearly meeting stock paid to our treasurer

The Queries were read with Answers to the Usual three from all the monthly meetings from which the following appears to be the State of society.

Answer 1. It appears that our meetings are generally attended on first days by the greater part of our members altho a great slackneſs appears at midweek meetings & those for discipline & careful to Observe the hour, some instances in giving way to sleep other unbecoming behaviour pretty clear.— Some care is taken when it appears neceſsary

2nd Care rests upon the minds of some friends to maintain Love & Unity, as Queried but a shortneſs appears with many in that respect some shortneſs appears in discouraging tale bearing back biting &c where differences appear Care is generally taken to end them.

12th Care is generally taken to deal with Offenders though some exceptions in one meeting & Judgment appears to be placed where it appears neceſsary according to discipline.

The committee who were appointed on the following request from Nantucket monthly

Meeting to this meeting in the 10th mo of last year

"This Meeting requests the advice of the Quarterly
"Meeting whether it is consistent with our discipline
"for a Friend, to commence an action in Law
"as an Attorney to one not a member, against
"one in membership, where full liberty and
"Authority is acknowledged to be given by
"the Client to settle the difference by
"Arbitration, & where there appears no
"specialty to require a suit."

Report as follows

We of the committee who were appointed to consider of the case sent up by Nantucket monthly meeting in the 10 mo last Year

Having considered the subject, are of opinion, that a friend commencing an action in Law against another in the manner there discribed, is an intire violation of the Spirit of our Discipline, tending to defeat the great Object of Promoting & continuing Christian Harmony in Society, which the rule respecting Lawsuits was intended to Promote.

New Bedford 12 mo 9. 1802

To the
Quarterly Meeting
to be held at
New Bedford
on the 10th inst

Smith Brown
Thos Hazard Jun
Wm Rotch Jun

which being approved the Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of the same to that meeting

This meeting being dipped into the State of Pembroke monthly meeting & sympathising with them on account of their Answer to the 12th Query whereby it appears they are in too feeble a State to exercise the Needful care in cases of Offenders, We appoint Wm Rotch Junr Jeremiah Austin Junr Samuel Rodman & Daniel Bowerman a committee to visit advise & assist in cases where needful & report to next Meeting

The business which came before this meeting being accomplished we conclude & propose to meet again in the 3 month next at New Bedford

Signed in & on behalf of said meeting
by Thos Hazard Clerk

At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 25 of 5 month 1803

Accounts were received from all the Monthly Meetings hereto belonging the Representatives therein Named are. —

From Sandwich. Prince Gifford 3rd Samuel Wing
Pembroke. Zacheus Eastis Stephen Rogers
Nantucket Benjamin Mitchell William Macy & Peleg Macy
Dartmouth Joseph Tucker Humphrey Russell & James Tucker
Acoaxet Abner Potter Isaac Peckham & Isaac Maccomber. —
New Bedford Joseph Austin Caleb Greene & Nathan Davis
Nantucket No. District } Libni Gardner Robert Brayton & David Mitchell —

Who being Called are all present. —

The Committee appointed to visit Pembrook monthly meeting made the following report which is satisfactory & acceptable to this meeting. —

According to appointment at last Quarterly Meeting we have attended Pembrook Monthly Meeting & used our endeavours to render such assistance as we were capable of affording, which appeared to be to the satisfaction of the members thereof, accompanied with the Comfortable hope in our minds that they would be strengthened and enabled to extend the Needfull Care in the Exercise of the Deciplinе amongst them

New Bedford 3 mo 25 1803 Saml Rodman
Jeremiah Austin Jr
Daniel Bowerman
Wm Rotch Jun

The Queries were read with Answers from all the monthly meetings except Pembrook where Answers being left at home by Accident from which, the following summery was drawn

Answer 1st Our Meetings for religious worship & desciplline are attended by the greater part of friends, midweek meetings not so well attended the hour generally Observed some affecting instances of giving way to sleep mostly clear as to any other unbecoming behaviour care generally appears to be extended where those deficiences have appeared

2. Love & Unity are in a good degree maintained among friends tho' not so fully as queried after tale bearing & spreading evil reports generally discouraged, where defferences have arose endeavours have been used to end them

3. We believe a care rests on the minds of many friends to bring up those under their care as queried & to be good examples themselves others discover a great shortness herein, we believe the Scriptures are generally read audibly in friends families

4. Friends generally careful in the use of Spiritous liquors, yet not all so careful to confine themselves to its Use as medicine & extraordinary & Neceſsary Occasions, frequenting taverns & places of publi resort generally clear except in one or two instances under Notice
5. Clear as far as appears
6. We think not wholly clear in either part some Care taken. ——
7. Clear as far as appears
8. Mostly clear in settling Accompts some shortneſs in respect to wills clear as to other parts
9. Clear. ——
10. Clear except in a few instances in which care has been taken
11. A shortneſs appears in recording births & deaths Other parts clear except in one instance
12. Care is generally taken to deal with offende & to place judgment where it appears neceſsary according to discipline. ——

The monthly meetings of Sandwich Nantucket & New Bedford in their Acct inform they have directed their proportions of the Yearly Meeting Stock paid to our Treasurer. ——

The monthly meeting of Nantucket inform that they have appointed Peleg Mitchell to the Station of an Elder which being solidly considered by this Meeting & approved of by the womens meeting, receives our approbation & we Unite therewith

The monthly meeting of New Bedford inform that they have approved of the public Appearance of Obadiah Davis in the line of the ministry which claiming our Sympathy & being solidly considered by this meeting & approved of by the womens meeting we Unite therewith and Abishai Bunker is appointed to inform the Select Quarterly Meeting thereof & likewise of the appointment of Peleg Mitchell to the Station of an Elder

The treasurer informs that he has paid our proportion of the Yearly Meeting Stock to that meetings Treasurer. —

We appoint Samuel Rodman Joseph Tucker Smith Brown Peleg Macy representitives to the Yearly Meeting,

The following Account was prepaired & signed & directed to the Yearly Meeting

From our Quarterly meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 25 of 3 mo 1803. To the Next Yearly Meeting to be held on Rhode Island. — Dear Friends

We received extracts from the minutes of your meeting of last year, the several subjects contained therein has claimed our attention likewise transcripts of Epistles from London Philadelphia & New York, all which have been read to our Satisfaction, — — We have approved of the publick appearance in the Line of the ministry of John Bailey of Pembroke and Obadiah Davis of New Bedford & have likewise approved of the appointments of Sarah Otis of Pembroke & Pelig Mitchell of Nantucket to the Stations of Elders, Our proportion of Stock has been paid to your Treasurer, We herewith forward Answers to the queries comprising the State of our meeting by our Representatives who are Samuel Rodman Joseph Tucker Smith Brown Pelig Macy

Signed in & on behalf of said Meeting by

Thos. Hazard Jr. Clerk

The business which come before this Meeting being accomplished we conclude to meet again at the Usual time at Nantucket

Signed in & by Order of said meeting

by Thos. Hazard Jr. Clerk

At a Quarterly meeting of Friends held on-
Nantucket for Sandwich the 28 day of the 6. Month
1803 -

Accounts from the several monthly meetings were presented, the representatives therein named are.

Sandwich. Daniel Bowerman, Abiel Akins.
Pembroke. Stephen Rogers. Smith Brown.
Nantucket. Obed Macy. David Ray.
Dartmouth. Caleb Slocum. Thomas Allen. James Tucker
Acoaxet. Jeremiah Austin Jun.r Adam Allen. Prince Wing
New Bedford. William Sawyer Wall. Cornelius Howland.
Abraham Russell. John Russell Davis
Nantucket North.n Dist.t, Obed Mitchell. Robert Brayton

all present except Abiel Akins -

Adjourned to the 4 hour - Afternoon

Met by adjournment

The representatives all present -

The Account from Pembroke monthly meeting not sent in the 3.d Month was presented to this meeting by their representatives

The representatives to the Yearly meeting report their attendance on that Service

The Queries were read with answers to the first Second and Twelfth from which the following Summary was compiled

It appears that meetings are attended and the hour observed by the greater part of our members: yet a deficiency is apparent in some particularly in the neglecting of midweek meetings and those for discipline. There are a few instances of giving way to sleep. Clear of other unbecoming behaviour. We believe a considerable number endeavour to maintain Love & Unity and to discourage detraction and that differences when they appear are terminated. Offenders are dealt with though in some cases not seasonably and Judgement placed where it appears necessary

The London General Epistle and corresponding Epistle of last year, with a communication from the London meeting for Sufferings were received from the yearly meeting, and read to our edification and comfort and the Clerk is directed to forward copies to the several monthly meetings

Our beloved Friend James Simpson of Pennsylvania attended this meeting and presented Certificates from the monthly meeting of Horsham and Quarterly meeting of Abington expressing their concurrence in his prospect of paying a religious visit to friends and others in these parts: and recommending him to the sympathy of those among whom his lot may be cast his company conversation & labours have been edifying & truly acceptable and the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute.

Our beloved Friend Micajah Collins attend
this meeting & presented a certificate from Salem
monthly meeting expreſsive of their approbation
of his ministry and concurrence with his views
of paying a religious visit to, a few meetings in this
Quarter his company & Labours have been truly
acceptable and the clerk is directed to furnish him
with a copy of this minute.

Our beloved Friends Elizabeth Coggeſhall
of Rhode Island and Elizabeth Byrd of New
York attended this meeting and produced certificates
from their respective monthly meetings; they
having previouſly here to visited the greater part
of the meetings in this Quarter in all which as well
as in this their company and labours have been
truly acceptable and the Clerk is directed to furnish
each of them with a copy of this minute as it res=
pects them ——

The following extracts from our last yearly
meeting were recieved & Read Viz

Extracts from the minutes of a yearly meeting held on Rhode
Island by adjournments from the 13th to the 15 of
5 Month 1803

The Committee to consider of some of the Queries
recommend, that the following be adopted instea
of the 2nd 3rd and 8th Queries which is agreed
to and those alterations are directed to be inserted in
all books of discipline & separate Queries

Query 2nd Are love and Unity maintaind amongst you. and is detraction guarded against and where any differences arise are endeavours used speedily to end them

3rd Are Friends careful to bring up those under their direction in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel; to restrain them from reading pernicious books and the corrupt conversation of the world; are they good examples herein themselves and are the holy Scriptures frequently read in their families

8 Are Friends careful frequently to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts whilst in health and are public gifts & legacies applied to the use intended by the Donor

This meeting hath concluded to raise $500 Sandwich quarterly meeting is desired to raise $225 their proportion of this meetings' stock and forward the same to our treasurer and an account thereof to this meeting

Obadiah Davis Clerk

By the foregoing extract from the minutes of the yearly meeting it appears that our proportion of that meetings' stock is $225. which the several monthly meetings are requested to forward in the same proportion as heretofore to our treasurer with an account thereof to this meeting

Sandwich	9 Plt	is	$ 20.25
Pembroke	3	"	6.75
Nantucket	20	"	45 —
Dartmouth	14	"	31.50
Acoaxet	9	"	20.25
Ne Bedford	25	"	56.25
Nantucket No District	20	"	45 —
			$ 225.00

The Clerk is directed to forward copies of the Extracts from the minutes of the yearly meeting to the several monthly meetings -

The business which came before this meeting being finished we conclude to meet again in the 11 Mo at Sandwich

Wm Sawyer Wall
Clerk at this time

At a Quarterly meeting of Friends held a Sandwich the 7th of 10 mo 1803

Accounts were received from all the monthly meetings hereto belonging the representetives therein Named are. from

Sandwich David Kelly & Ebenezer Wing
Nantucket Prince Gardner Mathew Barney & Benjamin Mitchell
Dartmouth Luthan Wood Joseph Wing & James Tucker
Pembroak Zacheus Eastes & Joseph Rogers
Acoaxet Prince Wing Jeremiah Austen Jr & Jonathan Peckham
New Bedford Joseph Austen William Wing & William Howland
Nantucket No District } Solomon Macy Laban Mitchell & Stephen Fish —

Who being called are all Present

The Queries were read with answers to the Usual three, from all the Monthly Meetings from which the following Sumery of the State of Society was drawn. —

1st Our meetings for Religious worship & desipline are attended by the greater part of our Members while Others are remis herein particularly mid week & those for Desiplene the hour generally Observed, not wholly clear of Sleeping mostly clear of Other unbecoming behavior some care is taken in the above deficiences. —

2nd. Love & Unity, is generally maintained amongst us, Detraction mostly garded against where differences have arisen care has been taken to end them

12th. Care is generally taken to deal regularly with Offenders & to place Judgment according to discipline

Epistles from the Yearly meetings of Philadelphia & New York were read in this meeting to our comfort & satisfaction; & the Clerk is directed to transmit copys thereof to the several monthly meetings here to belonging

The business which came before this meeting being accomplished, we conclude to meet again in the 12th. month at New Bedford

Signed in & on behalf of said meeting by Thos. Hazard Jun
(Clerk)

At a Quarterly meeting of Friends holds at New Bedford for Sandwich the 9th of 12 Month 1803 —

Accounts were recieved from all the monthly meetings hereunto belonging the Representatives therein named were. From —

Sandwich. David Kelley & Joseph Wing
Nantucket William Macy Obed, Macy & Benjamin Mitchell
Pembroke Stephen Rogers & Stephen Otis
Dartmouth Humphry Russell George Smith 2nd. Wm. Anthony
Acoaxet John Mosher, Nathaniel Macomber & Abner Potter
N Bedford. Barnabas Tabor Peleg Howland
Nantucket No. District } Zenas Gardner Barnabas Swain

who are all present —

The time for which the Clerk and assistant Clerk were appointed being expired. William Sawyer Wall is appointed Clerk & Sands Wing Assistant Clerk for the Year ensuing.

The Queries have been read with Answers to the Usual three from which the following Summary has been compiled

It appears by the answers from our several monthly Meetings that our Meetings are regularly kept up & generally attended by the greater part of Friends, Although in many instances a slackness appears in attending midweek meetings and those for Discipline the hour generally observed. not wholly clear of sleeping. other unbecoming behaviour mostly clear some care appears to be taken to remedy the above deficiencies

2nd Love & Unity are measurably maintained among us & a detracting spirit mostly guarded against care is taken to end differences when they appear

12 a good degree of care appears to be taken to observe this Query, — —

New Bedford Monthly meeting inform this meeting that they have solidly considered & approved the publick appearance of John Russell Davis in the Ministry which being weightily attended to and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting we approve thereof and John Baily is appointed to inform the Select Quarterly meeting —

Dartmouth and Acoaxet monthly meeting inform that they have directed their proportions of yearly meeting's Stock paid to our treasurer

The business which came before this meeting being concluded we propose to meet again in the 3rd month next at New Bedford

William Sawyer Wall Clerk

At a Quarterly meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 23 of 3rd Month 1804 —

Accounts were recieved from all the monthly meetings. the Representatives from which are,

Sandwich, Daniel Bowerman, John Wing Jun.r —

Nantucket, Peleg Macy, William Macy. Jared Gardner

Pembroke, John Bailey Smith Brown —

Dartmouth; Luthan Wood. Joseph Tucker, Gideon Howland

Acoaxet, Ebenezer Baker, Lovat Tripp. Isaac Macomber

New Bedford Benjamin Tabor Jun.r Peleg Barney Matthew Howland

Nantucket N. District } James Barker Libni Gardner

All Present

The queries were read with answers thereto from all the monthly meetings from which the annexed general answers were compiled —

1,st

All our meetings for Worship and discipline are attended; and pretty duly by most of our members, some neglect appears in the attendance of midweek meetings; the hour generally observed Some instances of giving way to Sleep. Mostly clear of other unbecoming behaviour; some care is extended in the above deficiencies. —

2nd

There are a considerable number endeavouring to maintain Love and Unity and to guard against Detraction; Others are not careful enough in these important Duties; Care is taken to end differences

3rd

A considerable number of Friends are engaged for the right education of their children, and to be good examples herein themselves, yet we fear many fall short of our duty herein; we believe the holy Scriptures are frequently read in most of our families.

4th

We believe the use of Spirituous Liquors is not wholy confined to Medicinal and extraordinary occasions; the unnecessary frequenting of Taverns and Places of publick resort, not enough avoided, by some; though Friends are mostly careful on these Accounts moderation at births Marriages &c. generally observed; some care is taken in the above deficiencies

5th

Clear except in one monthly meeting where there is a deficiency as relates to providing for the poor

6th

Not wholy clear as to this Query, although a good degree of attention appears to be paid thereto in divers meetings

7th

Not subject to trial on Account of Priests Wages or military Matters except one monthly meeting whose account is clear of the other parts of this Query clear —

8th

Mostly clear except in some instances of settling accounts —

9th

Clear — —

10th

Friends appear to be generally careful in these respects

11th

Not wholy clear —

12th

Care is generally taken to deal with offenders and to place judgement where it appears necessary according to discipline —

The monthly meetings of Sandwich Nantucket Pembroke New Bedford & ~~Nantucket~~ for the Northern district report their having forwarded to this meetings Treasurer their proportion of Yearly meeting Stock

This meetings treasurer is directed to pay to the Yearly meetings Treasurer our proportion of Yearly meeting Stock

This meeting is informed that Nantucket monthly meeting has appointed Huldah Barney to the Station of an Elder, which being weightily considered, and having the concurrence of the Womens meeting, is approved

Samuel Rodman Samuel Macy James Barker and Smith Brown are appointed Representatives to the Yearly meeting

Our beloved Friend Ann Alexander from Great Britain attended this meeting with certificates from Woodbridge Monthly meeting, and Suffolk Quarterly meeting with a concurring certificate from the meeting of Ministers & Elders in London expressing their Unity with her prospects of paying a Religious visit to this Country, and she having attended at all our meetings except one in this quarter, and had opportunities in the greater part of the families of Friends in two of our meetings, in which as at this time her Gospel Labours, have been edifying, and her company truly acceptable

Our beloved Friend Hannah L Fisher attended this meeting, with a Certificate from Philadelphia Monthly meeting for the Southern District, dated 13th of 1st Month 1803. She having previously accompanied our beloved Friend Ann Alexander in visiting many of our meetings, & the most of Friends families in two of our meetings, in which her Gospel labours and company have been truly acceptable, — and she having expressed that the evidence of Peace accompanied her mind for having yielded to the impressions of duty; and apprehending herself (at present) released from a prospect of further engagement is desirous of returning home; The Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute.

The subjoined account was prepared signed and directed to the Yearly meeting.

From our Quarterly meeting of Friends held at New Bedford for Sandwich the 23 of 3 mo 1804. To the yearly meeting of Friends next to be held on Rhode Island

Dear Friends

We have received extracts from the minutes of your meeting of Last Year together with the London general and corresponding epistles for the year 1802 with a communication from the London meeting for Sufferings and transcripts of epistles from Philadelphia and New York of Last year all of which have been read to our edification and comfort We have united with New Bedford monthly meeting in approving the Public appearance of John Russell Davis in the ministry and with Nantucket monthly meeting in appointing Huldah Barney to the Station of an Elder We have directed our treasurer to pay to your treasurer our proportion of Stock. the Queries have been read with answers from all the monthly meetings from which the annexed answers have been compiled to which we refer you for the state of our Meeting —

Our Beloved Friend Ann Alexander from Great Britain attended this meeting having previously attended all the meetings except one in this Quarter and most of the families of friends in two of our meetings wherein as at this time her Gospel labours have been edifying and her company truly acceptable

We have appointed our Friends Samuel Rodman, Samuel Macy. James Barker and Smith Brown our Representatives

Signed on behalf & by direction
of the Meeting by

William Sawyer Wall Clerk

The business which came before this meeting being concluded we propose meeting again in the 8 Mo at Nantucket —

William Sawyer Wall Clerk

At a quarterly meeting of friends held at Nantucket for Sandwich 26th of 6th mo: 1804

Accounts ~~from all~~ were received from all the monthly meetings, representatives from which are from

Sandwich John Wing Jr. Methiah Gifford
Pembrook John Baley Joseph Rogers, - - -
Nantucket Obed Marshall Barnabas Bunke
Silvanus Macy. - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
Dartmouth Wm Anthony Zephaniah Buffinton Caleb Slocum. - - - - - - -
Acoaxet Isaac Peckham Prince Wing - - Jeremiah Austin Jr. - - - - - - - -
New Bedford Nathan Davis Samuel Rodma
Asa Smith. - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
Nantucket Northern District Robert Brayton & David Mitchel. - - all present except Samuel Rodman for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered, - - adjourned to the third hour this afternoon. - - - - - - Met by adjournment The queries have been read with answers to the usal three, from which the following summary was compiled

Answer 1st

It appears that all our meetings have been attended and generally by the greater part of friends, yet some painful deficiences are expressed in most of the accounts, the hour is generaly observed, some affecting instances of sleep, mostly clear of other unbecoming behaviour, some care extended.

2d Many friends are endeavouring to maintain love and unity & to guard against detraction, — others are not careful enough in these important duties, when differences arise care has been taken to end them, - - -

12th Care is taken generaly to deal with offenders as queried, and to place judgment according to — discipline

Our beloved friend Nathan Hunt of North Carolina, attended this meeting and presented a — Certificate from Springfield monthly meeting and New Garden Quarterly meeting, expressing their concurrence with his prospects of paying a religious visit to the Inhabitants of the Northern & Eastern states — as way may open, his company and religious services have been truly acceptable & edifying. - - Also our beloved friend Moses Hoggett attended this meeting with a coppy of a minute from New Garden Quarterly meeting as a companion to our friend Nathan Hunt whose company ~~& services~~ has been acceptable — & the Clerk is directed to furnish them with a coppy of these minutes as it respects them. - - - -

The representatives to attend the yearly meeting report their attendance. - - - - - - - -

The following extracts from our last yearly meeting was read, and the Clerk is directed to — forward coppies of the same to the several monthly meetings, Viz

The Committee to take into consideration the

general state of society, having considered the
subject of revising the Queries, have submitted to
this meeting as their judgment, that the introdu
tory recommendation usaly read preceeding
the queries may safely be omitted in future
unless circumstances render it necessary ——
And that women friends, in their meetings need
not read or answer that part of the 7th Query respec
ting the payment of priest wages, bearing of arms
training, or other military matters. ———
And that the following, be substituted for the
9th Query (viz) Are friends careful to maintain our —
testimony faithfuly against slavery, which after delib-
arate consideration is adopted, and the last alterations
are directed to be inserted in all our books of disciplin

This meeting hath concluded to raise $500 —
the ensuing year, the Quarterly meeting of Sand-
wich is desired to forward to this meetings treasure
$225 and an account thereof to this meeting next
year. - - - - - - - - - - - - - -

Extracted from the minutes of our Yearly
Meeting held on Rhode Island by adjournments
from the 11th to the 13th of 6mo inclusive 1802
by Obadiah Davis Clerk - -

the auditor to this meetings acc made the following
report which is acceptable. - - - - - - - - -
this meeting hath concluded to raise $393.75 which the
several monthly meetings are requested to forward their -
proportions to our treasurer, with an acc thereof to this
meeting. * — —— -

Sandwich in their account propose an alteration -
in the time of holding their monthly meeting in
the tenth month, the same is refered to the consid

eration of our next meeting, - - - - -

Transcripts of Epistles from London Philadel & NewYork, were received and the two former read in this meeting to our Edification & comfort, and the clerk is directed to forward transcripts thereof to the several monthly meetings.

The business which came before this meeting being accomplished, we conclude to meet again at Sandwich in the 10th month next

Sands Wing Clerk at this time

* Sandwich	$35..44
Pembrook	11..81
Nantucket	63..00
Dartmouth	55..12
Acoaxet - -	35..44
New Bedford	98..44
Nantucket N.B.	94..50

At a Quarterly meeting of Friends for Sandwich held at Sandwich the 15 day of the 10 Month 1804 ——

Accounts from the several monthly meetings were presented the representatives therein named are

Sandwich Samuel Wing. Benjamin Percival
Pembroke Zaccheus Estes Stephn Rogers
Nantucket David Ray. Benjamin Mitchell Samuel Macy
Dartmouth Joseph Tucker. Luthan Wood Abner Potter Junr
Acoaxet Isaac Peckham. Charles Baker Adam Gifford
New Bedford. Cornelius Howland Russell Davis —
Nantucket No District } Libni Gardner Robert Brayton
all Present

New Bedford mo meeting inform this meeting of having directed their proportion of Stock paid to this meeting's Treasurer

An Epistle from the Yearly meeting of Friends of New York was read to Satisfaction and the clerk is directed to forward copies thereof to the several monthly meetings

The Queries were read; with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 12 from which the following Summary was compiled

1st Our Meetings for Religious Worship & Discipline appear to be generally attended by the greater part of ~~Friends~~ our members. but a Shortness is manifest in Some; particularly; in neglecting midweek meetings. The hour mostly attended to Sleeping discoverable in some at times; pretty clear of other unbecoming behaviour Some care manifested

2nd Love & Unity in a good degree maintained among us detraction measurably guarded against Care is taken to end differences ———

12th Generally careful to deal regularly & impartially with offenders & to place Judgement as Queried

This meeting concurs with a proposition from Sandwich for altering the time of holding their monthly meeting in the 10th Month from that in which it has usually been held to the next week day after the Quarterly meeting held in that month

Our beloved Friend John Bailey in a weighty manner opened to this meeting a prospect he has for some time had of visiting under a religious concern, several of the meetings of the three Northerly Quarterly meetings of New York and presented a certificate from Pembroke monthly meeting expressing their unity with his prospect, which after being weightily considered is united with, and an endorsement to that purport was made on his certificate and signed by the Clerk *

* From our Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Sandwich for Sandwich the 5th day of the 10th month 1804

Our beloved Friend John Bailey opened in this meeting his concern to pay a religious visit to Friends as expressed in the within certificate. which having our near sympathy we unite therewith and leave him to pursue his prospect as truth may direct —

The business which came before this meeting
being concluded we purpose to meet again
at New Bedford in the 12 Month

Wm Sawyer Wall Clerk

At a Quarterly meeting of Friends held at
New Bedford for Sandwich the 14 of 12 mo 1804
Accounts were presented from the Monthly meetings
the representatives are
Sandwich, Samuel Wing. Samuel Bowerman
Pembroke, Zacheus Estes, Smith Brown —
Nantucket, Barnabas Bunker. Abisha Paddock
Dartmouth, George Smith 2d. Abner Potter. Giles Smith
Accushanet, Isaac Macomber, Ebenezer Barker
N Bed - - - - - - - - - - Jonathan Peckham }
N Bedford, Barnd Taber, Richard Davis. Peter Barney
Nantucket. N Distrct Peleg Easton Zenus Gardner
all present except Abisha Paddock for whose
absence a reason was given.

1st The time for which the Clerk and Assistant
clerk were appointed being expired Wm Sawyer Wall is appointed Clerk
& Sands Wing Assistant Clerk for the year ensuing.
Sandwich Pembroke & Acoaxet Inform of having
forwarded their proportion of Stock paid to our Treasurer

Nantucket Northern District inform of having
appointed Elizabeth wife of Tobias Gardner to
the station of an Elder. the consideration of

of which is referred to next quarterly meeting

The Queries have been read with answers to the 1, 2 & 12 from which the following summary * was compiled

5th The business brought before this meeting being concluded we propose meeting again at New Bedford in the 3 month

William Sawyer Wall, Clerk

* Answer 1st Our meetings for religious Worship and Discipline, appear to be attended by the greater part of Friends yet some are too neglectful in this important Duty particularly in attending midweek meetings. the hour generally observed, some appearance of sleepiness discoverable in a few at times Generally clear of other unbecoming behaviour some care appears to have been Extended —

Ans 2d Love & unity appears in a good degree to subsist amongst us & Detraction is mostly guarded against. Care is taken to end Differences when they appear.

Ans 12th Our Testimony as Respects Dealing with offenders to be pretty well supported —

Division between Sandwich &
N. Bedford [illegible] —— Agawam Riv
— see p. 285